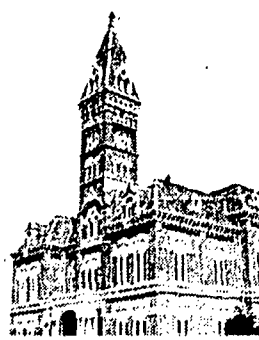


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Dunham serves comedy on a stick

RIGHT: Jeff Dunham, comic ventriloquist, autographs posters back stage after his Wednesday show in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

BOTTOM: Dunham performs with one of his most popular characters, Peanut, a maniacal, purple, green-haired "woozle."



Gene Cassell/Photography Director

by Christina Collings
Design Editor

Northwest was introduced to a new drink — the Phillips Screwdriver (vodka and Milk of Magnesia) at Jeff Dunham's ventriloquist comedy show Wednesday night.

The drink was just one of Dunham's new jokes that provided a mix of old favorites and new material in his show. "Compared to last time, it was fantastic," agriculture major Brian Hopf said. "The shows were similar but there was a lot of new stuff."

For the second year in a row, Dunham and his "partners in comedy," Walter, Peanut and Jose Jalepeño on a stick, made a stop in Maryville.

While every venue is different and has its positives and negatives, Dunham does enjoy performing on college campuses.

"Audiences tend to be more honest at the college level," Dunham said. "If they like you they love you, and if they don't like you, they get up and go have a piece of pizza."

Dunham made himself at home by poking fun at Pumpkin Center and Burlington Junction.

As a native of Texas, Dunham also teased about the blustery winter weather he encountered during last year's performance.

Dunham is highly recognized for his three main characters, also commonly called his "partners in comedy."

Walter, a bitterly funny old man who is currently featured in a Hertz Rent-A-Car commercial, started Dunham's performance.

"People don't recognize me from the commercial — they think of Walter," Dunham said.

Dunham uses Walter in his show because he has the ability to remind people of themselves or someone they know.

"Walter is my favorite because he reminds me of my grouchy grandma," sociology major Christie Howell said.

Next on Dunham's agenda was Peanut, a purple, pot-bellied "woozle" with a sense of humor who likes to aggravate the audience.

"Most of Peanut's material comes from just goofing off on stage," Dunham said.

Dunham unveiled his oldest and final character, Jose Jalepeño on a stick, which is self explanatory.

"Jose is a phenomenon that I really can't understand because he is just a jalepeño on a stick," Dunham said. "And yet if people see my act and then don't see it for another 10 years, that is the one part they remember."

Monica Smith contributed to this story.



Gene Cassell/Photography Director

Enrollment goes down

But more stay at Northwest over the years

by Stephanie Zellstra

Missourian Staff

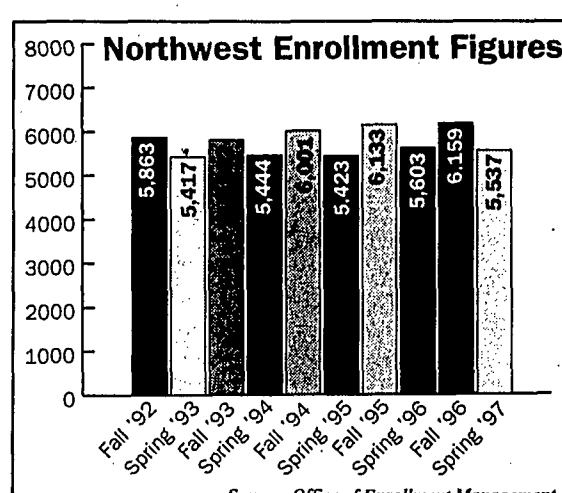
Although spring enrollment is down, the census date figures show that more students are staying at Northwest from year to year.

Roger Pugh, dean of enrollment management, anticipated the official census

date enrollment to be close to last year's official census figure of 5,603. Pugh reported an enrollment of 4,938 on the first day of classes, which was 31 students less than the first day of classes in January 1996.

With the census data report of 5,537 enrolled students, Pugh believes Northwest is right on track. Pugh's main concern is keeping the quality of the education high and continuing the high retention of students yearly.

His efforts to keep the students coming back are shown in his enrollment reports. Northwest continues to retain more undergraduate students each year. This spring, 10 percent of the freshman class failed to return. This figure is usually 12 to 15 per-



Source: Office of Enrollment Management

Colleen Cooke/Managing Editor

cent, and shows why enrollment figures have remained fairly close from semester to semester.

The enrollment figures for the past six years range from fall numbers of 6,093 in 1990, to 6,159 in the fall of 1996. In the past 10 years these numbers have fluctuated, but have increased steadily since 1993.

The breakdown of the number of students shows a considerable increase in the number of transfer students. The final census for spring 1996 showed 89 transfer students compared to 104 transfer students for this spring. However, the fall figure for transfer student enrollment has declined. The number of transfer students peaked in 1995 with 390, but was down last fall to 287.

Board to set land price

by Nicole Fuller
Opinion Editor

Any city, state or governmental agency will have the opportunity to bid for the 40 acres of land located northwest of the University after the appraisal and minimum price are set.

If the bond issue passed in previous years, the land would have been the site for a new middle school. However, hitting the ballots April 1 is a new bond proposal touting a new site next to the high school.

The School Board will set the minimum price at the March 19 meeting and it will then be advertised.

Rego Jones, Board president said they will follow Board real estate procedures in selling the property.

Board policy requires them to ob-

tain an appraisal from a licensed real estate appraiser, then they must notify cities, state agencies, municipal corporations or other governmental subdivisions of the state located within district boundaries; that the land is for sale. If the property is not sold to a governmental agency in the time allotted, it will be available for private individuals to buy.

Gary Bell, superintendent of schools, said the government agencies will have 30 days from the March 19 meeting to bid, and once the April 16 meeting comes, the Board will make a final bid approval.

"If no sale is made that is when we shall open it up to the general public," Bell said. "The general public will then go through the same process through the May 21 meeting."

Professor enjoys geography's draw

by Juliet Martin
Assistant University News Editor

With the most number of advisees on campus, people might guess that finding time to talk with Don Hagan, professor of geography, would be difficult. They would be wrong.

With the geography/geology department ranking among the largest on campus with more than 400 majors and minors, Hagan's number of advisees is estimated to be between 215 and 240. But that doesn't stop him from finding time for students, according to Chris Lukasina, sophomore geology and broadcasting major.

"Dr. Hagan helped me decide to get into geography, his door is always open, whether it's about a problem or just to say hi," Lukasina said.

Hagan, originally from Columbia, is in his 32nd year at Northwest and is proud of the geography/geology department, which has ranked second in undergraduate programs across the nation since 1989.

"Our ranking has given us visibility to grow and helped us to acquire the kinds of instructional equipment we need," Hagan said.

He decided to pursue teaching after working as a teaching assistant at the graduate level.

"I decided pretty quickly that I wanted to do," he said. "I loved working with college kids, I felt like I could identify with them and explain things in a way they would understand."

Hagan shares his love of geography with his students and informs them of its career possibilities.

"I'm a very enthusiastic spokesperson for the discipline of geography as a major because as a career counselor I see that it has greater potential for opening career doors to a wider variety of employment

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PR directors to leave Northwest

Husband and wife team plan to move to Iowa after one accepts job

by Jacob DiPietre
Chief Reporter

After a combined 30 years of service, two familiar faces will no longer be seen at Northwest.

Carol Gieseke, director of publications, accepted a position to become the editor in chief of the Iowa State University Alumni magazine *Visions*.

"It is the perfect job for me," Carol said. "It combines all the things I like best. It is a prestigious school and the program is very high quality."

While Carol, who starts her new job April 1, will leave at the end of March, her husband, Dave, is going to stay until the middle of May depending on when he finds a new job.

"I would prefer to live in Ames," Dave said. "There are all kinds of opportunities there in public relations and events, all the stuff that I have done here."

While Dave will be leaving Northwest, he would still like to work at a University.

"It is great — I love working on a college campus, I love working with the students, and I can't imagine not being on one," Dave said.

The Northwest atmosphere is something Carol will miss as well. She is excited about starting a new job, but there are still many things she will miss.



Gene Cassell/Photography Director

Carol Gieseke, director of publications, works on a EC97 program brochure. Carol will be leaving at the end of March while her husband, Dave Gieseke, director of news and information, will join her in May.

The people she has worked with over the past 15 years is what she will miss the most.

"I think I will miss the people — that's not really a job-oriented thing, but I will miss all the nice people," Carol said. "I have made a lot of good friends. I have been here for a long time and made a lot of close friends."

Carol and Dave will not be the only Giesekes leaving. Their two daughters, Katie, 10, and Lauren, 6, will be making the move as well. Dave said he thinks his daughters will be glad to move around a little.

"I never had the opportunity to move when I was growing up," Dave said. "Sometimes it's good to change and move around."

The Giesekes met when they were freshmen at Northwest, and have worked for the University since 1982. During this time, Dave says the thing he will miss the most is the students.

"I appreciate all the opportunities the University has given us," Dave said. "One thing I will miss though is the students, especially the students in this office — I'll really miss working with them."

Departure to leave more than 2 slots

by Jacob DiPietre
Chief Reporter

Help wanted — only two people are leaving the public relations office, but it will take four new employees to fill their shoes.

Dave and Carol Gieseke are leaving the University after 15 years of service.

Carol received a job at Iowa State University as the editor in chief of the alumni magazine *Visions*. She will leave at the end of the month.

During their Northwest adventure, the Giesekes have expanded their job descriptions to include *Northwest This Week*, Northwest's World Wide Web page and different student recruitment brochures and posters.

Robert Henry, former public relations officer, said the Giesekes have gone above and beyond their actual job descriptions.

"In different ways their roles were to market the University," Henry said. "And they have done that in a superb way."

Along with marketing Northwest, Henry, who retired from Northwest

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OurView

OF THE UNIVERSITY

Students need to help keep University clean

The construction on campus is something of an uncontrollable force. But aside from the mud and trenches, the way that our campus presents itself is something that we can control. Northwest students need to work on making this campus as presentable as possible, especially since prospective students are touring it.

When potential students tour the campus during this time of year, they do not merely look at the outside of buildings or the inside of Owens Library. They notice the garbage strewn around the outside of the halls, the way we look and act and the pride we do or do not take in being a Northwest student.

During the day, be aware of your actions. Try to remember what your first impressions of the student body were during your tour. Did you see influence you in any way? A change in lifestyle isn't what we are suggesting, just clean it up a little.

True, visiting students are probably going to look unfavorably on our once-beautiful campus because very necessary construction is turning our home into a mud pit. But it doesn't have to be a hog's nest, too.

The next time those of you who live in residence halls decide you need a little extra entertainment and settle on throwing television sets and chairs out the seventh floor windows, think again.

The only thing you are going to get out of is a few minutes of fun. But bright and early the next morning

others will be admiring your handy work in a different way. Those doing the admiring will most likely be the people who are touring and thinking about making Northwest their ultimate choice. But how ultimate is Northwest when the lawns resemble landfills?

Another problem with litter is that student ambassadors giving tours are having a hard time explaining the abundance of empty beer cans and cases that are visible in various spots on campus.

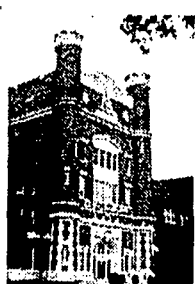
A litter problem is one thing to deal with, but it is kind of hard to convince parents that this is a dry campus when they are stepping over empty beer cans in their path.

It is time for everyone on campus to take responsibility for what it looks like. Stop throwing your trash and cigarette butts on the ground because no one wants to see it. There are plenty of containers all over campus to throw your waste away in, so use them.

Also, think about how you are behaving when you know a tour is coming through or any other time of the day.

And if you break the rules and drink on campus, at least be courteous enough to throw the containers in the trash instead of out your window. You aren't being sneaky when you do that because everyone still knows what general vicinity it came from.

Let's work together to make Northwest look its best, even in this difficult time of construction. It can be done. Just make the effort to do it.



OurView

OF THE COMMUNITY

New welfare reform affects future of many

By the end of the year, millions of people will be affected by the new welfare reform law which marks one of the largest cuts in the 35-year history of the food stamp program.

Under the new welfare reform, adults between the ages of 18 to 50 who are single, unemployed, without children and no disabilities can only be on food stamps for three months in any three-year period.

We are basically telling the people who this affects to get out and get a job. It is not that difficult, especially when you see help wanted signs all over the place or people hiring in general.

People need to go out and look for the job, because it will not just come up to their door and knock. There are no excuses either. For example people always use the excuse of "I don't have a car because I cannot afford it." Well we have some advice for you — walk.

This new reform is already hurting many people across the nation and will affect thousands more in the months to come.

The affect will show in the bigger

cities that have more homeless and poverty than some small towns. Because of the huge drop, the economy in bigger cities, will more likely see a greater effect. This is why 30 states have applied for a waiver to help out economically.

The federal government said 40 percent of those affected by the provision are women and one-third of them are 40 years or older. It is estimated that 1 million people will be affected by the end of the year — most of them the "poorest of America's poor."

The division of family services in Maryville said that the new welfare reform law will affect about 10 households in town in the month of March.

Larger affects are possible by the end of the year, but they are not sure at this time.

The government was not joking when it said it would revamp welfare.

It is obvious a change was needed in the former, so let's support the government on its new path to a sound welfare system. It can be done.



I'D LIKE TO STRESS THAT NORTHWEST IS A DRY CAMPUS

MyTurn

Big mouth prompts going to class



Jacob DiPietre

Student learns that academic success requires regular attendance

I have witnessed a lot of people putting their foot in their mouths. But I guess when it comes down to it, I may have the mother of all feet.

Last time it was "My Turn," I made a very generalized and somewhat cocky comment about my math class. I believe my exact words were something to the effect of, "As I received my last A in the math class I rarely attend..." — I learned it was big mistake.

First of all my instructor, who apparently is a avid reader of the Northwest Missourian — who knew? — started to pay more attention to my truant tendencies and didn't fail to point out any inconsistencies in my attendance.

In fact, when the opportunity came for him to let me know what he thought he didn't just let it go — he made his point quite clear.

I remember it vividly as he was passing back graded tests. I was dreading this moment because I wasn't prepared when I took the

exam. Finally the instructor made his way to me and handed me the test. Much to my dismay I got a big fat C. Obviously my theory of class attendance had its short comings.

But the fact I got less than an A wasn't the end of the story. My instructor went above and beyond simply awarding me my grade — my test was in a sea of red.

He didn't fail to mark it up with comments, and like all you math majors know, comments are rare from mathematics instructors.

In rebuttal to my column's claim, my teacher made a smart remark on my paper. "This doesn't look like any kind of A to me — ATTEND CLASS REGULARLY!" I believe is what it said.

This harsh, but true comment kept me on my toes for about a week. But I soon returned to my stupid freshman ways. I began to focus my study skills on extra-curricular activities, but unfortunately these weren't school sanctioned.

And it hit me in the end, I didn't receive the A which I boastfully claimed I could attain. My failure to attend regularly and to prepare landed me, once again, a big fat C for the final grade.

This epidemic didn't affect just one class, it spread like a virus.

For instance, I had troubles in my American Historical Survey class last semester. You may think my troubles stemmed from course content.

Looking back I realize I would have had a lot less trouble if I went to class more than twice a month. And as they say, in my case, history is repeating itself.

Although I couldn't tell you squat about the Revolutionary war, which for all I know involved Cortez and Ghandi, I did learn that going to class is a must for academic success.

Jacob DiPietre is a chief reporter for the Northwest Missourian.

MyTurn

College years can lead to lifelong friends



Christy Collings

Getting out and meeting new people makes campus experience worthwhile

College life is a completely different story from high school with many adjustments to be made when making the transition from one to the other.

The biggest adjustment for me was making new friends without losing sight of my high school friends. I figured the best way to deal with this adjustment was to simply get involved in something on campus.

This was easier said than done, in my mind. I never had a problem getting involved and making friends in high school, so I was scared when I realized that I was going to be in a completely new place, and only knowing a few people.

For me, my high school was a sense of security. I have gone to school in that town all my life. It was a comfortable surrounding for me and I knew practically everyone and they all knew me.

Everybody has heard the old cliché "when you graduate from high school and move on to college, it is there where you will meet the people who will be your best friends for life."

Until I actually started college, I wasn't sure this was going to be the case for me. I didn't even know where to begin to make this adjust-

ment.

College is so much bigger, size-wise, than high school. I thought in college, students were just a number among thousands, and it would be harder to find people that could actually be trusted and feel like they were genuine and a true friend.

I know that sounds cold, but it is the truth. It was hard enough finding someone you could trust and really call your friend in high school.

I think that it would be two times as hard, if not more, to do that in college with the hundreds of people there are on campus.

While I have only been in college for a short time, and I have yet to fully live through all of the trials and tribulations of it, I have already overcome my fear and gotten into all aspects that surround college life.

Overcoming this adjustment took a lot of patience and effort on my part. What I decided to do was to get involved on campus.

This would assist my adjustment in many ways. It would help me make new friends, as well as become more involved with my major.

Everything involves some type

of interaction with people: Going to class, living in the residence halls and participating in organizations, including Greek life.

This idea that friendships in college would last a lifetime and completely accomplishing what I had set out to do came to me this past weekend while attending a sorority event.

At this event, I discovered that those people around me were truly my friends who cared about my well-being. Their caring dealt not only with college-related things, but my personal well-being too.

Making friends is not just confined to Greek life. It is apparent in every organization on campus and this is true for me. I have made friends while involved in various organizations as well as classes and residential life.

Getting involved, learning with academics and meeting new people is all a part of a well-rounded college experience.

So my suggestion to you is to go out and get involved on campus whether it be Greek life or not. There is a friend out there just waiting to be found.

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Thank you for story

Dear Editor,

The members of CARE would like to thank you for writing the story about the condom roses we sold.

We appreciate the publicity and advertisement. We prefer to go by our initials of CARE instead of Chemical Abuse Resource and Education. We feel that more students recognize our group by our initials.

As a follow-up on your article, we would like for the students to know where the money is going from the condom rose fund-raiser since we are a non-profit organization.

The money will be donated to the Hale House in New York. The Hale House is a place where drug/alcohol-born babies who were given up can live. Volunteers come to give these babies the love and nurturing they need

in the first three or so years. CARE would again like to thank you for publishing the story.

Stephany Louk,
CARE secretary

Save sex for marriage

Dear Editor,

I wish to comment on two articles on the use of condoms in the Feb. 13, 1997, issue of the Northwest Missourian. They are "A Rose by any other name" and "Condom Day is celebrated on Valentine's Day."

Wrong. Possibly dead wrong. Sexual intimacy is a good thing; a special gift from God to be used within marriage — a lifetime commitment. Any other use of this ability is seriously wrong. Here is what C. Everett Koop, former U.S. Surgeon general had to say:

"When you have sex with someone, you are having sex

with everyone they have had sex with for the last ten years, and everyone they and their partners have had sex with for the last ten years."

Now consider this quote from "Is Sex Safe?" (Gravestone publications, PO Box 45057, Boise, Idaho 83711): "STDs (sexually transmitted diseases) are not prevented with condom use: 1) some

STDs transmit skin to skin; 2) Condoms have a 17 percent failure rate; that's 1 in 6. Some STDs are incurable and can eventually kill."

Also, you could be legally liable if you infect someone. Save sex for marriage.

Bertha Goettmoeller,
Maryville resident

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MaryvilleView

Character — a missing link in sex education



Eduardo J. Echeverria

Mature chastity is the reason for fewer unwanted pregnancies, abortions

T.S. Eliot (1886-1965), poet and critic, wrote that modern thinkers are always "dreaming of systems so perfect that no one will need to be good."

Some views of sex education display this mentality. They assume, in Barbara Dafoe Whitehead's words, "a deeply technocratic understanding of teenage sexuality." In other words, "once teenagers acquire a formal body of sex knowledge and skills, along with the proper contraceptive technology, they will be able to govern their own sexual behavior responsibly." ("The Failure of Sex Education" in *The Atlantic Monthly*, October 1994.)

Responsible sexual behavior, on this view, does not involve virtuous ordering of one's sexual feelings, passions and emotions for the sake of making morally good choices.

All that is required in this technocratic approach to sex is to be counted as sexually "responsible" is a condom. Allegedly, one can avoid both pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases with this contraceptive technology. It is the quick fix, technical solution for avoiding harm, in short, "safe sex." The assumption seems to be that harming one's health is the only problem at stake, which totally ignores the question of harming one's character of being morally good. Indeed, as William Kilpatrick rightly says, "the link between sex and character is a missing link in sex education."

In defense of this technocratic approach to sex education, the claim is often made that this approach is realistic. Realistic (so it is said) because it faces head-on the fact that teens are having sex anyway. Given this, we should provide them with the necessary knowledge (about the biology of reproduction and sexual development) and technical (contraceptive) skills to fend off harm.

Also, the claim is made that this approach respects the sexual freedom of teens, because it encourages their self-expression, by removing the chief obstacles to responsible sexual behavior, which are guilt and shame. In addition, this approach is morally neutral (it is said) in having teens discover for themselves their own moral values about sex, rather than those handed down by others.

These claims cannot be further from the truth, however. First, a weak relation exists between sexual knowledge and teenage behavior. Considerable evidence shows that the technocratic approach to sex education reduces neither the rate of sexually transmitted

diseases nor pregnancies among teens. Why are we surprised? We forget that teens, like all of us, don't always act on what they know. Most significant, teens are not taught the virtue of chastity. Chastity enables them to exercise self-mastery over their sexual desires and affections, taking possessions of their sexuality and learning that responsible and meaningful sexual love, total self-giving, is only realized in marriage. Thus, without the virtue of chastity we should not be surprised that their impulses get the better of them.

Second, the term "safe sex" is actually a misnomer given the rate of condom failure. Numerous studies show that the failure rate of condoms which resulted in unplanned pregnancies is 10 percent overall and 18 percent for women under 18.

Also, these statistics are about pregnancy rates and not the rate of effectiveness of condoms in preventing the spread of the AIDS virus. Bear in mind, unlike pregnancy, one can get this virus any day of the year. This virus is 410 times smaller than sperm, and that it is one-tenth to one-third the size of the smallest detectable hole (1 micron) in a condom. This adds up to the potentially life-threatening conclusion that you have better chance of getting the AIDS virus than getting pregnant when using condoms.

Third, it is profoundly wrong to think that teens in contemporary American society are unable to take responsible self-possession of their sexuality because of ignorance, guilt or shame. As Mrs. Whitehead rightly says, "The MTV generation may indeed have a distorted image of sex, but it has not been distorted by shame or repression." Quite the opposite. TV programs, pop music, movies, educators and others routinely expose teens to a philosophy of sex where the essential purpose of sex is pleasure, where how we use sex is a purely private matter and not really relevant to our character, and where all views and sexual choices are of equal moral value. In short, anything goes in sex.

This is hardly a neutral approach to sex education. It encourages sexual license by implying that sexual morality is a matter of choice — not choosing the right thing but simply choosing. But neither is it

sexually liberating. This philosophy turns sex against itself by depersonalizing it, making it recreational and an object of disordered self-love. This servile pursuit of pleasure is destructive to self and to others because it disorders a person's capacity for self-giving in love. It becomes a chief obstacle to sex's own fulfillment in the life-uniting, mutual self-giving love of marriage and the fruitfulness of this communion, in procreation.

One more thing — the contraceptive mentality is a leading cause of abortions. As Janet E. Smith of the University of

Dallas puts it, "no longer can we think that greater access to contraception will reduce the number of abortions. Rather, wherever contraception is more readily available the number of unwanted pregnancies and the number of abortions increases greatly."

Why? Quite simply, says Smith, "contraception leads to more extra-marital sexual intercourse; more extra-marital sexual intercourse leads to more unwanted pregnancies; more unwanted pregnancies lead to more abortions. Not many women intend to use abortions as a 'backup' to failed contraception, but it is undeniable that it is often so used." Even the 1992 Supreme Court decision *Casey vs. Planned Parenthood*, gave this as a reason for maintaining the legality of abortion.

Finally, there is considerable evidence to suggest that a morally based approach to sex education which does not separate responsible (read: moral, safe and free) sexual behavior from marriage. Procreation and child-bearing is a great source of freedom to teens. "They gain: freedom from early pregnancy and childbearing; freedom from sexually transmitted diseases, and AIDS; freedom from the trauma of abortion; freedom from anxiety over disappointing parents; freedom from regret, guilt, loss of self-esteem; freedom to develop control in making decisions; freedom to select a life partner based on love, knowledge, communication and friendship." (New York State Bishops' Pastoral Statement on Condom Distribution in Public Schools, September 1992) For these teens there is the inner peace and self-possession of mature chastity.

Eduardo J. Echeverria, Ph. D. is an associate professor of philosophy at Conception Seminary College.

“All that is required in this technocratic approach to sex, in order to be counted as sexually ‘responsible,’ is a condom.”

IT'S YOUR TURN

What is your opinion about the new welfare reform?



"I think it is a good idea because there are jobs available, and if not, there is always somewhere you can get educated, such as (in) a technical skill."

Scott Horsman, undecided major



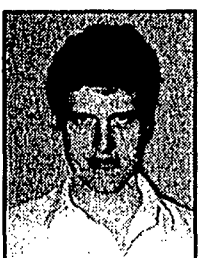
"I think this way the people on welfare won't be quite so dependent on our money. They'll know that they have to get themselves out there and look for a job because there will free money is coming to an end."

Gina Fisher, corporate recreation major



"I think it's a good idea. There's a lot who abuse it, but many need it and I don't want to do away with it."

Eileen Allen, computer management systems major



"This welfare law is a good idea, provided there is some sort of oversight and not administered blindly. I hope it will reduce the welfare rolls significantly, but it must not be allowed to degenerate as other programs have done. We need to insure accidental pregnancy is not the solution to continued welfare existence."

Jerry Veer, Food-4-Less store manager



"I think it's a good idea if it'll cut down the number of people on welfare and if they're able to regulate it."

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PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

February 24

■ A Maryville female reported that two windows in her home had been broken out and it did not appear anyone had entered the house.

February 26

■ A local business reported that a male subject had illegally dumped trash in its dumpster.

■ Officers responded to the 200 block of Park Avenue on a complaint of peace disturbance. Upon arrival, loud music could be heard coming from the residence and contact was made with the occupant, Stephanie A. Derby, 22. She was issued a summons for permitting a peace disturbance on the premises.

■ Paul G. Bennett, Lenox, Iowa, was traveling east on U.S. Hwy 136 and stopped at a stop light waiting to make a turn. The light turned green and Bennett started to turn, but Nicole L. Porterfield, Maryville, who was westbound on U.S. Hwy 136, entered the intersection and struck Bennett. A citation was issued to Bennett for failure to yield.

February 27

■ A 15-year-old Maryville female was referred to the juvenile officer following an incident at a local business. Two packs of cigarettes and a bag of candy were taken without being paid for.

■ A Maryville male juvenile reported that he had been assaulted by another male juvenile. The case was referred to the juvenile officer.

■ Two local businesses reported that three male subjects had left the store

without paying for items. The three subjects were identified as juveniles. The case was referred to the juvenile officer.

February 28

■ A vehicle was stopped in the 1300 block of North Main Street. While running a check on the driver, Kevin S. Farrens, 33, Burlington Junction, the officer discovered an active warrant from the Municipal Court for failure to appear. He was arrested and later released after posting bond.

March 1

■ An officer responded to the 2500 block of East First after a request from State Patrol for assistance. Upon arrival, it was determined that a vehicle being driven by Michael Q. Watson, 21, Maryville, had been stopped for failure to stop at a posted stop sign. While talking with Watson, an odor of intoxicants was detected and he was asked to perform a field sobriety test, which he could not complete successfully. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated with his blood alcohol level testing over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for failure to stop at a posted stop sign and failure to use proper turn signals.

■ Officers responded to the 1100 block of North College Drive on a complaint of a peace disturbance. Contact was made with a Sara L. Vernon, 19, Maryville, who was issued a summons for minor in possession. During this time, contact was also made with Derek D. Clayton, 20, Holt, who was also issued a summons for minor in possession. The occupants were given a warning for peace disturbance, and the music was turned down.

■ Adam D. Riley, Hopkins, Tara L. Dailey and Jason D. Brown, both of Maryville, were all traveling south on Main Street. Dailey stopped in the middle of the street and was waiting to make a left turn when Riley struck Dailey. Brown, who could not stop in time, struck Riley. Citations were issued to Riley and Brown for careless and imprudent driving.

March 3

■ A local business reported that a male subject had rented a video and had failed to return it.

■ Fire units responded to a structure fire in the 900 block of East Seventh Street. Upon arrival flames were visible. The fire was contained to one room and extinguished. Smoke damage was reported and the cause of the fire is still under investigation.

■ Larry F. Bradshaw, 32, Maryville, was arrested on charges of assault-domestic violence, following an incident in the 900 block of East Second Street. He was released after posting bond.

■ Abbey N. Lade, Maryville, was traveling north on Main Street. She stopped at a posted stop sign and proceeded into the intersection. Lade was struck by Elizabeth A. Dean, Maryville, who was traveling east on South Avenue. A citation for failure to yield was issued to Lade.

■ Alice K. Starke, Maryville, was traveling south on Market Street and stopped at a posted stop sign. She proceeded into the intersection and was struck by Chad E. Conley, Maryville, who was traveling east on Edwards Street. A citation for failure to yield was issued to Starke.

CAMPUS SAFETY REPORTS

February 18

■ A vehicle was backing out of a parking space and was hit by another vehicle.

February 19

■ A peace disturbance was reported in Dieterich Hall. A student was summoned to the dean of students for threatening to do bodily harm to another.

February 21

■ A vehicle was stopped for running a stop sign. While talking with the driver, an odor of intoxicants was detected. The student was referred to the dean of students.

February 23

■ A student in Dieterich Hall was charged with damaging University property. The student was issued a summons from the Nodaway County circuit court and the dean of students.

The estimated cost of the damage was \$166.

February 24

■ A stop sign on College Avenue was taken. The replacement cost is \$75.

February 25

■ A vehicle struck three parked vehicles in the parking lot by Thompson Ringold.

■ A Do Not Enter sign was removed from the circle drive by the Union.

February 26

■ The theft of a laptop computer from Wells Hall was reported.

March 3

■ Campus Safety was called to a medical emergency in Hudson Hall. The individual was treated and transported to St. Francis Hospital.

OBITUARIES

Catherine Stuart

Catherine Stuart, 86, Gower, died Feb. 24 at the Gower Convalescent Center in Gower.

Survivors include her daughter, U.S. Rep. Pat Danner; four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Services were Feb. 26 at Richards Dale/West Oakwood Cemetery in Bevier.

Dorothy Beattie

Dorothy Mae Beattie, 73, Barnard, died Feb. 26 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She was born March 2, 1923, to James and Arizona Thomas in Tulsa, Okla.

Survivors include her husband, Tom; one daughter, Carol Carol; two stepsons, Basil and Larry; two sisters; one brother; one grandchild; two great-grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; three step-great-grandchildren and one nephew.

Services were March 1 at Johnson Funeral Home in Maryville.

STUDENT/FACULTY DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE

December 12

■ A male was charged with possession of marijuana. He was placed on strict campus conduct probation, not including Sections D-2 and D-4, until Dec. 31, must attend the After Hours program and fined \$100.

■ A male was found in violation of his second alcohol offense. He was placed on campus conduct probation,

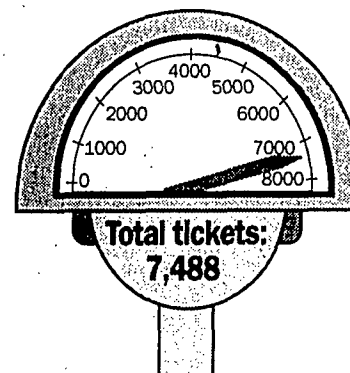
not including Section C, until May 16, 1998, and fined \$50.

■ A female was charged with theft. She was placed on campus conduct probation until May 17.

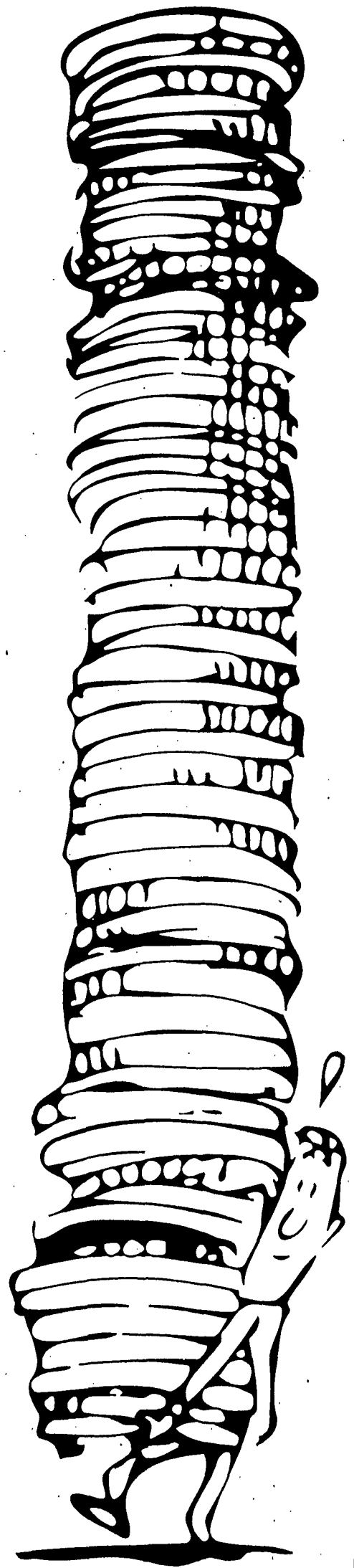
■ A female was charged with endangering the health/safety of another and disorderly conduct. She was placed on campus conduct probation until May 17, 1998, and fined \$25.

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Faculty Senate discuss future of EC97 program

by Wendy Broker
Chief Reporter

An issue that affects the entire student body and faculty was Faculty Senate's main focus Wednesday afternoon as EC97 graced the agenda.

Provost Tim Gilmour and Jon Rickman provided answers concerning the soon-to-be implemented system.

Questions about software, the hardware and the advantages of the program were addressed.

Rickman said the most important issue to the faculty should be the software, not hardware.

"We will be needing help from the faculty to define the best software sets for them," Rickman said.

Gilmour ended the discussion with the goal of the EC97 program.

"We are cautiously optimistic that within a year of the program's start, to have everyone (both student and faculty) back together on the same systems," Gilmour said.

A proposal for the Professional Development Pilot program was also discussed. It is a program that will help teachers and departments to enhance their efficiency.

Betty Bush, department chair of curriculum and instruction, brought

copies of the Professional Development Plan which details the department's goals and reasoning for EC97.

Bush also brought a document called Development Plan Instruments describing helpful methods in measuring the efficiency of teachers.

"The proposal will not force teachers to participate in the program, but merely offers an option to those who would like to," Bush said.

The restructuring of Senate's curriculum committee was also discussed. David Hancock, curriculum committee chairman, said the need for the changes are two-fold.

"First, it frees our committee members up, and second, it puts the responsibility to deal with certain issues back to the college or department directly involved," Hancock said. "This will also substantially reduce the amount of paper work involved with little decisions like changing a course name. It's a win-win situation for all of those involved."

A combined subcommittee consisting of the budget committee and faculty welfare committee members was created to address the issue of faculty salaries for the 1998 school year.

by Scott Summers
Chief Reporter

Concerns about the remnants of EC+, the new EC97 program and trimesters were addressed at an informational forum sponsored by Student Senate Wednesday night.

Tim Gilmour, provost; Jon Rickman, director of computing services; and Annette Weymuth, executive assistant to the president, answered questions from students about what will happen to students who purchased laptops for the now defunct EC+ program.

Responding to a student's concerns, Gilmour said the Board of Regents was thinking about the students when it initiated the program and it did not start the program just for grants.

"We do regret the situation EC+ students are in," Gilmour said. "The notebook program was a real effort and we do recognize that notebooks are still the way to go."

Gilmour said the reason the program is being dropped, despite the Board of Regents' agreement that it enhances learning, is to allow more students access to better technology.

"One of the things the Board was concerned with was the cost to the student," Gilmour said. "(With EC97) we are moving from serving around 350 students to serving about

3,000."

Students were able to express their displeasure that Northwest delivered a tremendous sales pitch for EC+ during freshmen orientation.

Gilmour said Northwest had geared itself for EC+, but things inevitably change and they never said the program would remain the same.

"This was an incredible opportunity," Gilmour said. "That is what we were selling."

Northwest will not abandon the students that already bought the laptops Gilmour said.

"We are trying as good as we can to make good on our commitment to those students," Gilmour said.

Rickman said Northwest will not quit in providing service to EC+ students and it intends to keep the sales and repair service.

The computers, which would be in every residence hall room by next fall, would have color screens, speakers, a CD-ROM and other features.

The new computers will be funded in part by the \$1 technology fee increase.

Trimesters was another program discussed at the forum.

Annette Weymuth, executive assistant to the president, said the summer of 1999 would be the earliest the program would start if implemented.

"I think the sky is the limit,"



Michelle Krambeck, Student Senate president, sits next to Jon Rickman, director of computing services during the Wednesday EC+ and EC97 meeting in Hudson Hall. The meeting was to discuss the future computer upgrades.
Jennifer Meyers/
Chief Photographer

Weymuth said. "But, we're not locked into anything yet."

The program's success will be determined on a variety of scales, but one outweighs all others.

"Success will be determined on if we can double the size of our summer school enrollment," Weymuth

said. The idea behind the trimesters' proposal is the opportunity for students to work at their own pace.

"The whole idea was that we offer something where if you want to finish faster, you can," Weymuth said.

Origami, anyone?



The fourth-graders at Horace Mann learned how to make origami cranes last Friday. Senior Yuki Osawa, finance major, spent the day teaching the students to make several paper sculptures. The children also learned to speak some Japanese.
Kelly Myers/Missourian Staff

GIESEKES

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in January 1996, said the Gieseke's contributions to the University have truly made a difference.

"Dave and Carol have made a tremendous impact on Northwest," Henry said. "They have, in their roles, made tremendous impacts toward the success of the University."

Henry is not the only one who thinks the Gieseke's have made an impact on the University. Many of their current co-workers say they will miss the couple because of their commitment to hard work.

Beth Wheeler, vice president for community relations, said Dave has done more with the office than just the standard.

"Because of his personal interests and talents and commitment to the University

has expanded way beyond, to include the encore, working with CAPs (Campus Activity Programmers), working with Homecoming, doing the web page as well as many of the traditional things," Wheeler said.

Dave Cathedral, who works in the public relations office, agrees with Wheeler and also said although Dave gives a lot to the University through his job, he also contributes with his attitude.

"Dave adds a lot to this University with his personality alone," Cathedral said. "That in itself is going to be hard to replace."

Dave isn't the only Gieseke who brings a vibrant personality with him into the office.

Sara Meyers, Carol's assistant in the publications office, said her boss is a very fun person to work with, and she has learned a lot from her in the few months

she has worked there.

"I think Carol is a really dynamic person," Meyers said. "She has some great ideas. I am sorry Northwest is losing her."

While Meyers is sad Northwest is losing Carol, she is also worried about how the publications office is going to change after she leaves.

"Of course when people leave things are going to be different," Meyers said. "I just don't know how things are going to be without her."

Meyers is unsure how the office is going to turn out, Henry said he is happy to see the Gieseke's moving on.

Henry said he was disappointed to see them leave, but he thinks they merit an advancement.

"I am sad to see them leave," Henry said. "But if it is a step up, it is certainly deserved."

Radio station to sponsor excursion to Minnesota

by Jennifer Simler
Missourian Staff

Want to go to Minnesota? Want to be a part of the live audience for the Garrison Keillor's "A Prairie Home Companion" show? If your answer is yes, you want to be a part of a fun-filled four days sponsored by KXCV-KRNW.

The trip is chartered by Heartland Express and starts May 1 through May 4. The excursion is open to anyone who would like to go.

Gayle Hull, membership and promotions director of KXCV-KRNW, will be escorting the tour, and taking attendants anywhere they wish to go in St. Paul, Minn.

"I just love to go," Hull said. "It's just fun. We have something fun every day, all the time. There is so much to do in St. Paul."

There will be numerous activities to partake in each day. The first day in St. Paul the group will attend Rodger and Hammerstein's "State Fair" production at the Chanhassen Dinner Theater, the largest professional inner theater complex in the nation.

The second day is a free day for the travelers. They will be able to visit many well-known places such as the Cathedral of St. Paul, the Gangster Tour, Shop the Skyway, the Mall of America and the Mississippi Riverboat cruises.

Hull will take them where ever they wish to go or they can travel on their own. Ending the evening, dinner will be at the former residence of St. Paul's pioneer Joseph Forepaugh. The occasion will be semi-formal in Victorian-style dining rooms accompanied by French cuisine.

Back on a schedule for the third day, KXCV-KRNW will take the tour to the 65th Anniversary of the Festival of Nations and to Garrison Keillor's "A Prairie Home Companion" show.

The Festival of Nations will be pleasant for those all ages and all those in attendance. It will be presented by the International Institute

of Minnesota. In show will be 95 ethnic groups, 78 folk dance ensembles, 46 folk art demonstrations, 58 international bazaar booths and 60 cultural exhibits.

The Garrison Keillor's "A Prairie Home Companion" show is a musical comedy show that KXCV-KRNW airs live each Saturday from 5-7 p.m. and rebroadcasts Sunday from 3-5 p.m. This is one of the main reasons St. Paul was chosen as the city to visit.

"I like the dinner theater and Garrison Keillor's show, that is one of the main reasons I want to go," Betty Dye, residence life coordinator, said. "I've taken Heartland motor trips before and they are always pleasing, plus I don't like driving."

This trip was devised to be a four-day trip as a treat for those involved in the business world.

KXCV-KRNW previously had a number of one-day trips and one eight-day trip, but it was hard for those working to take the additional time off to attend the longer trips.

"The shorter trip was for a different target audience," Hull said. "There are some people that can't be gone eight days. We're hoping to attract some employed people that can't be gone that long."

There are multiple reasons trips such as these are sponsored by KXCV-KRNW. One reason is to create a way to reach listeners and potential listeners. Another reason is to offset the reduced amount of federal dollars KXCV-KRNW is receiving.

"We want to coordinate tours with the lifestyles of the listeners," Sharon Bonnett, KXCV-KRNW station manager, said. "Instead of stopping at McDonald's we stop at places like tea rooms, progressive dinners at Victorian diners. It's all gourmet type of dining."

As of Monday, there were still spots available to go on the trip. Anyone is welcome to go and there is plenty of entertainment to keep busy. For information about the trip call Gayle Hull or tune in to KXCV-KRNW at 90.5 or 88.9 on the FM dial.

"We have some fun every day, all the time. There is so much to do in St. Paul."

Gayle Hull,
membership and promotions
director of KXCV-KRNW

Kids in space



JoAnn Marlon's first-graders put on a play about space exploration Wednesday at the Horace Mann Lab School on campus. The students just finished a unit on the solar system.
Kelly Myers/Missourian Staff

IN BRIEF

Music department to offer performance free to public

Northwest's Wind Symphony and University Tower Choir will present the Missouri premier performance of "The Easter Symphony" by David Holsinger at 3 p.m., Sunday, March 16, in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

The public is invited to attend, and admission is free.

Annual Northwest event open to walkers of all ages

The University Be Well Committee is sponsoring the annual 'Cat Walk'. The walk will take place at 9 a.m. on March 18 at Bearcat Arena. Faculty, staff, students and their families are invited to participate.

The walk is free, however, those who preregister and paid a \$2 fee will receive a T-shirt the morning of the walk.

Anxiety seminar available for students free of charge

A free anxiety disorders screening program including an educational presentation, video and anonymous screening questionnaire is coming to Northwest. The questionnaire will be reviewed by a doctor of mental health professional.

The free program will be from 10 p.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., March 10 in the University Club North.

HAGAN

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than any other academic major," Hagan said. "It provides students with a truly global perspective."

Hagan's students are reassured by his knowledge and excitement about the field, according to Neal Young, a junior geography major.

"Dr. Hagan is always willing to take time and talk about jobs available to me in geography and explains to me my options after I leave Northwest," Young said.

Hagan's daily goal to communicate with his students effectively is also reflected in his lectures.

"I never use notes; before I go to class I mentally outline what I want to talk about," he said. "I like to use eye contact, it's important to me that they understand the information I'm giving them. I don't like my class to be a mystery, there is nothing to be gained by that."

Students who work hard and strive for the best are something he looks for.

"I appreciate students who are committed to doing their best, it takes an enormous amount of self discipline to maintain that consistency through four years of undergraduate education," he said.

Hagan's interest in students is not limited to their time at Northwest.

"I am trying to keep up with alumni and surveying about 500 right now," Hagan said. "We're trying to



Geography professor Don Hagan lectures to a class Wednesday. Hagan makes his lectures interesting by throwing in humorous anecdotes and life experiences.
Misty Masters/
Missourian Staff

create an alumni database to use them as a yardstick to determine if we are doing what we should be doing. I want every advisee to be successful and intensely prepared for a highly competitive marketplace."

Hagan chaired the department from 1981-1989 and sees some need for improvement at Northwest.

"I have frustrations at times," Hagan said. "My most frustrating issues have been that I'm not sure that I have successfully conveyed to administrators how effective and important it is for faculty to be involved in off-campus recruitment."

Hagan believes enthusiasm from faculty lets prospective students know you care.

"I've done a lot of off-campus recruitment, it takes a lot of enthusiasm, you have to know information

about the University and how to sell it," he said. "But more than that you have to convey to them your excitement about the school you're at and if they know you're really sincere, they'll follow you."

Students being comfortable with their advisors is important to Hagan. "I want students to feel they come to me about anything because I really care about their welfare," he said. "I may joke a lot, but I'm very serious about their future and would do anything for them."

The rewards of teaching for Hagan are as simple as an expression.

"Seeing the light in students eyes when they learn something new and interesting to them that they've never known before," he said. "And knowing that I've helped to broaden their perspectives."

Home and garden show to highlight businesses

by Toru Yamauchi
Missourian Staff

After a hiatus of several years, the Home and Garden Show will take place this weekend in the Maryville High School gymnasium.

Twenty-eight businesses, showing items as diverse as fencing and furniture, will participate in the show.

The show is 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free.

While some businesses will sell their products, others such as Eagan's Home Furnishings, will display their products.

"We'll still sell some things," Roy Eagan, Eagan's Home Furnishings owner, said. "But we are mainly there to advertise."

The Maryville Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the event. Judy Brohammer, executive director of the Chamber, decided to revive the show to promote local businesses.

"(The Home and Garden Show) is the service we are doing for our members," Brohammer said. "(The purpose is) to let our members showcase their businesses."

Rick Longnecker, Western Auto owner, and Tim Spire, Myers Pro Flooring Center owner, are the co-chairs for the event.

Longnecker said the show was first opened

to Chamber members, and it was expanded to include others as well, because the event is a fundraising program for the Chamber.

Although participants have to pay the dues to the Chamber, some businesses are supportive of the fee.

"I can understand paying the fee," Eagan said. "It will go toward a good cause."

The amount of dues each exhibitor pays depends on the space each business reserves.

Eagan paid \$200 and said the price would prove to be either expensive or cheap, depending on how many people stop by the show.

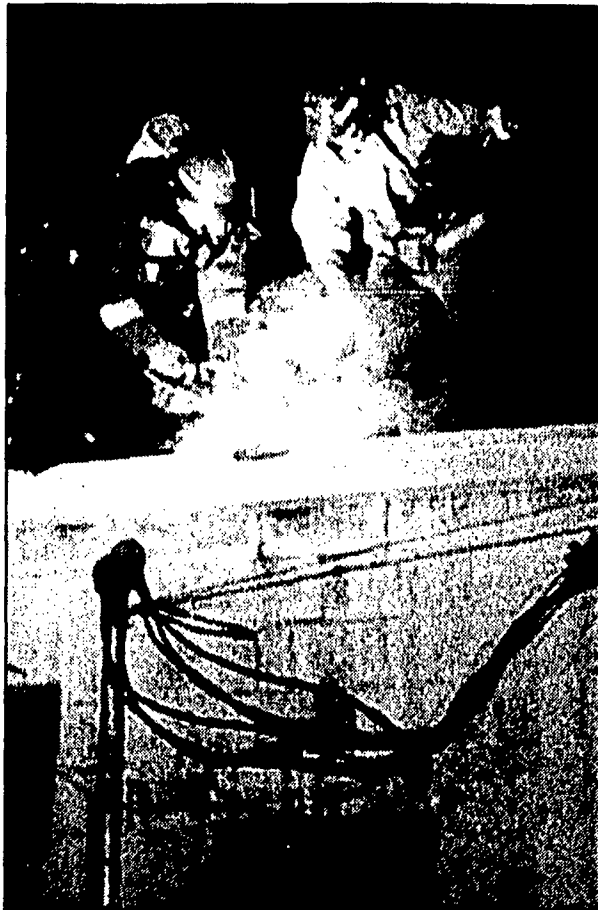
Not only private businesses, but also eight other organizations such as the Humane Society and Community Blood Center will participate in the show. The Maryville Swing Choir will also perform Saturday afternoon.

The show's success may lead to the Home and Garden Show becoming an annual event.

Brohammer said the Chamber would like to sponsor the show again next year, and Longnecker is positively considering it.

"We're hoping for this to be an annual event," Longnecker said. "The high school has been gracious enough to allow us to use their gymnasium."

Members of the Delta Chi fraternity are helping Chamber members set up for the show.



Greg Dalrymple/Photography Director
Fire fighters use a chainsaw to cut a hole into the roof of the Ingels Mobile Homes so they can spray water into the building.

Fire damages structure of Ingels Mobile Homes

Incident sparks citywide investigation into origin of Monday's business blaze

by Ruby Dittmer
Community News Editor

A building owned by the Jerry Ingels family of Maryville caught fire Monday.

Fire fighters were able to get the blaze completely under control in a half hour.

Keith Wood, director of Maryville Public Safety said heat spread throughout the building.

When officials arrived they had to secure the outer edges of the fire so that it would not spread to other parts of the building.

Officials spent one hour looking for hot spots in the building and making sure the fire was exhausted.

Wood said the fire at 907 E. Seventh Street was reported to Maryville Public Safety at 7:29 p.m. and the first officers on the scene encountered heavy smoke and flames.

The fire was contained to the southeast corner of the building near

a set of stairs in a small corner apartment.

Wood said the apartment was used by mobile home representatives who were in town, and was used mostly for sleeping.

The apartment was completely destroyed.

Ingels, owner of the building, was out of town when the fire started.

Lt. Phil Rickabaugh said they are not sure yet sure as to what caused the fire and has been ruled accidental.

"At this point it is an accidental fire with an undetermined origin," Rickabaugh said.

Rickabaugh estimated the damages at \$10,000 but said Ingels does not have insurance on the building.

The west side of the building was not affected by the fire, and there were no heat or water damages in this area of the building.

Wal-Mart of Maryville had products stored in this area which did not receive damage when the incident occurred.

There were no injuries reported with the fire.

IN BRIEF

Workshop will educate newly elected officials

A workshop for newly elected officials in Northwest Missouri will be from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. April 24 in the Country Kitchen banquet room.

The free workshop, "Newly Elected Officials," is coordinated by the Northwest Missouri Regional Council of Governments. The Missouri Municipal League will conduct the event, which will cover a wide variety of topics: Classification and forms of municipal government, powers of mayors and governing bodies, ethical issues, municipal revenue sources, municipal officials' role in the state legislative process, council procedures, open meeting and record laws and various other topics.

People interested in attending should contact the Regional Council by April 16 by calling 582-5121.

Hospital plans breakfast to celebrate Palm Sunday

The St. Francis Hospital Foundation is sponsoring a Palm Sunday brunch from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. March 23 at the St. Francis Hospital &

Health Services Bread Basket Cafeteria.

Tickets are \$9 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. They are available at Bank Midwest, First Bank, Mercantile Bank, Cameron Savings and Loan, St. Francis Hospital & Health Services or from any foundation board member.

Proceeds will benefit the unrestricted fund for the greatest area of need. Approximately 280 attended the Palm Sunday Brunch in 1996 and a goal of 300 in attendance has been set for this year's event.

Group will perform drama at St. Gregory's Church

"Stations," a musical drama based on the stations of the cross, will be presented at 8 p.m. Saturday at St. Gregory's Church.

Written by Fr. Robert Murphy and Paul Novosel, the drama is performed by a cast of actors and singers.

The play is based on the ancient Roman Catholic ritual of the stations of the cross, in which events of the passion and death of Christ are adapted to modern day characters.

A free-will soup supper will be at 7 p.m. before the performance.



Court Watch

■ Roger Burson appeared before the court on a probation violation. Burson admitted the violation, and the court ordered his probation revoked and executed a five-year sentence to the penitentiary. Burson was on probation for a charge of driving while intoxicated.

■ John R. Gross Jr. entered a plea of guilty to his third offense of driving while intoxicated. The judge ordered a presentence investigation and rescheduled sentencing to March 24.

■ Robert M. Peterson appeared on a motion to revoke his probation. The judge found he was in violation of his probation and ordered his probation be revoked and that a penitentiary sentence be executed.

■ Jason Lent, who was previously on probation, was found to have violated it by driving without a license. The courts continued his probation with the condition that he serve five days in jail.

■ Heather Vinzant admitted a violation of probation by failure to

pay all her court costs. The court continued her probation with new conditions. Vinzant must complete 40 hours of public service by May 24 and pay all court costs by May 1.

■ Channel J. Anderson pleaded guilty to two counts of felony forgery of checks and two counts of misdemeanor passing bad checks. On each of the felony counts, she received five years in the state penitentiary. The court suspended the sentence and placed her on five years probation. For the misdemeanor counts, Anderson was ordered to serve 30 days in jail and make restitution on all checks and pay all costs including court costs.

■ Mickel Farnsworth was found in violation of his probation. The judge ordered his probation revoked, and Farnsworth was ordered to serve five years in the state penitentiary.

■ Important Days in Nodaway County Criminal Court:
March 10, Criminal law day.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Friday, March 7

9:45 a.m. Exercise Program, Nodaway County Senior Center.

Saturday, March 8

9 a.m. Overeaters Anonymous, St. Francis Hospital.

8 p.m. "Stations," a musical drama based on the stations of the cross, will be presented at St. Gregory's Catholic Church. A free will soup supper will take place at 7 p.m.

8 p.m. Levis & Lace Square Dance, Maryville High School gym.

Sunday, March 9

5 p.m. Former Miss America Debbie Turner will speak at the Charles Johnson Theater, sponsored by the Laura Street Baptist Church.

7 p.m. Annual concert of brass and bells, Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

Monday, March 10

7 p.m. RTNDA Public Forum, University Conference Center. The forum will focus on the Maryville R-II Bond Issue. Panelists include Rego Jones, School Board president. The public is invited to attend.

Washington Middle School Futures Night, at the school.

Thursday, March 13

9 a.m. Retired Teachers Association Meeting, Nodaway County Se-

nior Center. All retired educators and spouses are welcome.

Friday, March 14

5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, St. Gregory's parish hall.

Sunday, March 16

4 p.m. to 7 p.m. St. Patrick's Day dinner, St. Gregory's Church Hall. Dinner is sponsored by the faculty and staff of St. Gregory's school.

Monday, March 17

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Northwest blood drive, Union Ballroom. Call 562-1218 to make an appointment.

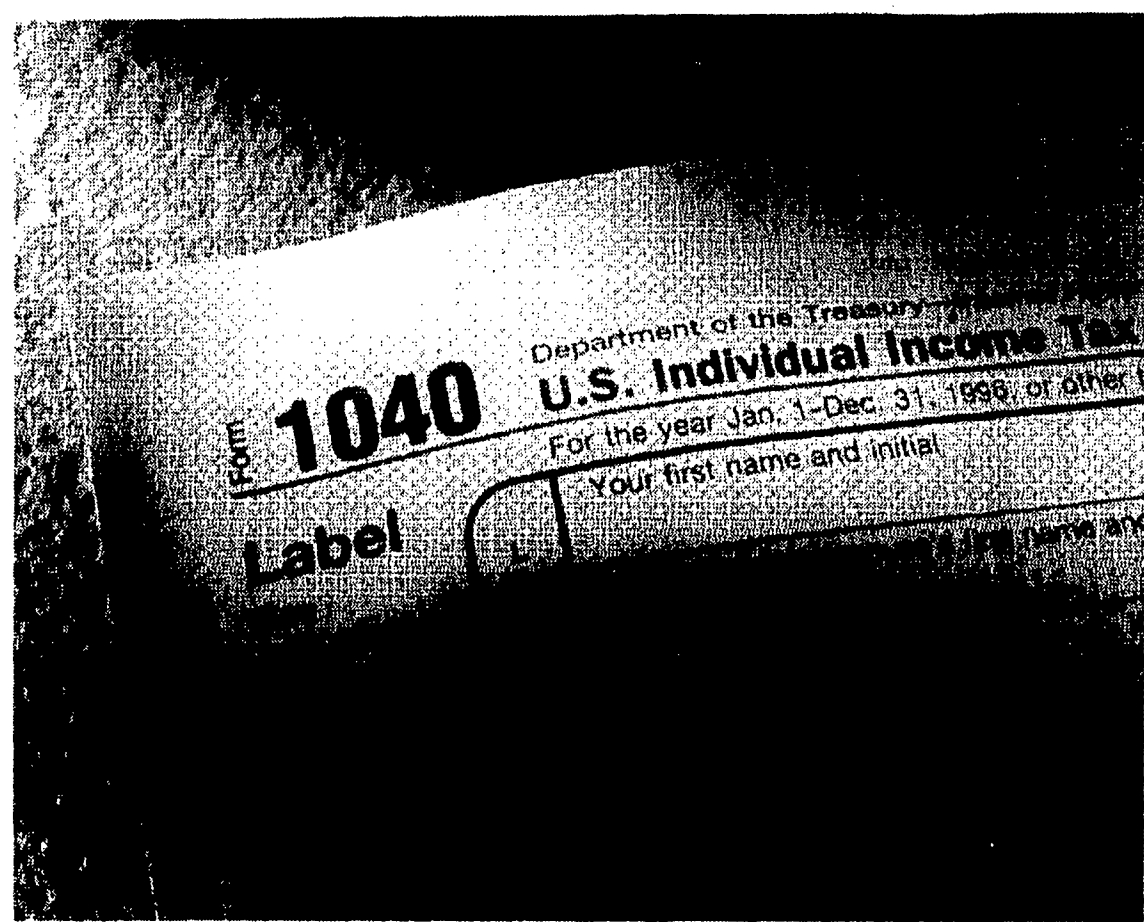
4 p.m. The Maryville 10th-annual World's Shortest St. Patrick's Day Parade. For more information call 562-9965.

Sunday, March 23

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. St. Francis Hospital Foundation Palm Sunday Brunch, St. Francis Bread Basket Cafeteria. Tickets \$9 for adults, \$5 children 12 and younger. They are available at area banks.

To have an event placed in the community calendar call Ruby at Dittmer at 562-1224, or mail events to "Calendar," c/o Northwest Missourian, Wells Hall, 800 University Drive, Maryville, Mo., 64468.

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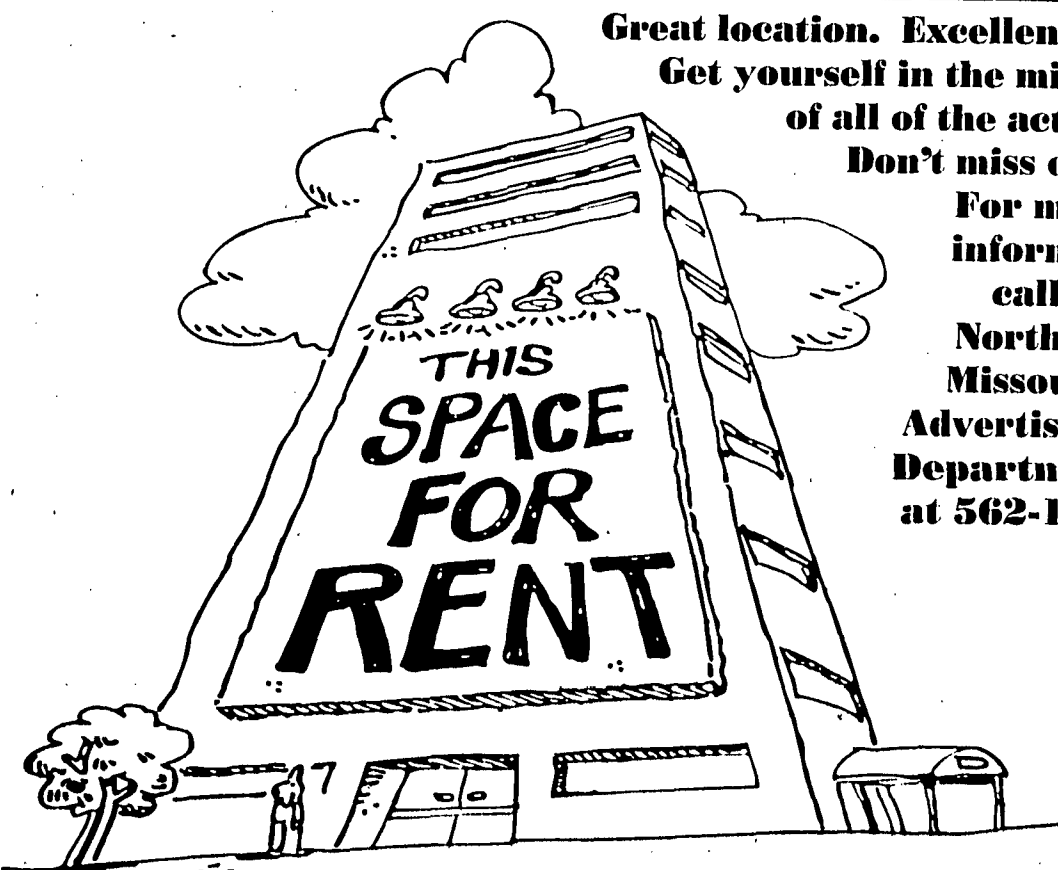
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'Cats race to nationals

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Although the season is over for the indoor track teams, six athletes will make their way to the national meet in Indianapolis Friday to represent Northwest.

Five women and one man qualified for the NCAA Division II Indoor Track and Field National Championships.

Junior Julie Humphreys, from Odell, Neb., is ranked third in the weight throw and holds the Northwest record. This is not the first time Humphreys, an all-American, has made the trip to nationals. She competed in the discus in the outdoor championship last year.

However, placing is not the most important aspect to Humphreys.

"I really don't care where I place, I just want to improve," she said. "Each meet I gain more confidence; I just step in the ring, rely on the past and hope it carries me to nationals. I still get nervous, but that helps and gives me confidence as well."

Having her teammates at the meet will help boost her confidence as well.

"It will be nice to have familiar voices there," she said. "It will make (the trip) more fun. The support will be nice and being able to root them on will be good, too."

Humphreys views this event in the same light as a normal meet.

"I just look at nationals as a regular meet," she said. "I have nothing to lose and nothing to worry about."

Junior Leslie Dickherber, from Mexico, Mo., competed at the outdoor national championships last year in the shot put. Dickherber is currently ranked 12th in the event. Her goal is a little different than Humphreys' in that where she finishes is important.

"I want to bring home some hardware this year," Dickherber said. "My goal is to be an all-American."

There is less pressure now that she's making the trip to Indianapolis.

"To get to nationals is one thing,

since the standards are so high," she said. "Once you are there, it is quite another. Last year, it wasn't a big deal for me, but this year it's exciting. There's a different atmosphere about it; I'm more determined."

Several factors helped her prepare for this meet, Dickherber said.

"Team support, practice and determination have prepared me," she said. "I am excited about having more than one person with me this year. Having people there to talk to you and focus you is a real confidence booster."

Dickherber said nationals will be smooth sailing.

"You don't have to worry about anything but challenging yourself," she said. "The most competition comes from you. If you happen to beat other people, that's all the better."

Junior Brandy Haan, from Maysville, is currently ranked 12th in the nation, and she is new at the whole national picture, but Coach Ron DeShon is confident that she can perform at that level.

"Brandy does not have a lot of experience, but she has a lot of talent," DeShon said.

Haan is going to nationals in the 55-meter dash, an event in which she holds the Northwest record.

Sophomore Jaschelle Sasser, from Kansas City, returns to nationals after a



Julie Humphreys continues her weight throw preparation for the national meet this weekend in Indianapolis.

year off in the high jump and the triple jump, in which she is ranked sixth and third respectively. In 1995, Sasser was the national runner-up in the high jump as well as an all-American.

Sasser said there will be a lot of pressure on her at nationals.

prepared her for this meet.

"I think I have an advantage because I performed in Division I," she said. "I've seen it all and been under all that pressure. But each meet is different, it's all about competing."

The sole participant for the men is

junior Chad Sutton, from Griffith, Ind. Sutton will make an appearance at nationals in the high jump again this year, ranked 11th.

Coach Rich Alsop said this may take some of the edge off of the competition.

"Chad went last year," Alsop said. "That should take the anxiety away. He has been pretty consistent, but at a meet like nationals you never know. He could place, or have a bad day."

Sutton has the same confidence his coach has concerning his abilities.

"If I have a good day, I can compete for the championship," he said. "You can't have your best day every day. That's what it would take to win it, but I don't think it is out of my reach."

Sutton aims to place high and to perform to his ability.

"My goal is to go there and place in the top six," he said. "I think the hardest part is already over with. Now I just have to do what I am capable of and hopefully do well."

After last year's performance, Sutton looks to improve his finish.

"I'm disappointed in how I did last year," he said. "I just remind myself that it doesn't matter what I've done before, it matters what I do now. And this year it's in my home state, so my family and friends will be there to cheer me on."

Sutton is a junior, yet he realizes this may be his last chance at nationals.

"Anything can happen next year," he said. "I could get hurt or something and never be able to do it again or have the opportunity to go to nationals, so I must do my best this year."

"I want to bring home some hardware this year. My goal is to be an all-American."

Leslie Dickherber, junior thrower



Jaschelle Sasser works out Tuesday to prepare for her trip to nationals.

Indoor teams wrap up regular season

The season ended for the indoor track teams except for a few individuals on Friday at the Cyclone National Qualifier at Iowa State University.

The meet gave members a final chance to qualify for nationals or to improve their present time or distance.

Senior Heidi Metz improved her time in the mile, but it was not quite enough to make the national cut. Metz was 13th in the nation and only the top 12 advanced to nationals.

Junior Carrie Sindelar also turned in her best time of the indoor season, without advancing.

Ron DeShon, head women's coach, said Sindelar performed well this season despite a foot injury.

"Carrie gave all she had at conference," DeShon said. "Sometimes, if you are healthy you can come back off a good meet and do just as well. In Carrie's case, she is a good athlete, just not healthy enough to come back strong."

Juniors Kathy Kearns and Sarah Kriz and freshman Jill Eppenbaugh also competed well at the meet despite not advancing to nationals.

DeShon said these women will be missed at nationals.

"Those girls represent points that are being left at home," DeShon said. "They are looking for a good outdoor season and to better their indoor season performances."

Junior Misty Campbell gave her

all at the meet, DeShon said.

"Misty rebounded back with a huge effort against good competition," he said. "She placed third in the high jump to a couple of Division I girls. It may have been this weekend that made the difference in her getting into the national meet."

Junior Brandy Haan also finished third for the 'Cats at the Cyclone Classic in the 55-meter dash.

DeShon said the team is focusing on the outdoor season and achieving the "impossible" of the triple crown.

Some of the Bearcat men traveled with the women to Iowa State, but none of them reached a national qualifying time or distance.

Freshman Aaron Becker placed

eighth in the shot put with a throw of 53 feet 2 inches.

The throw was good but not enough to place him into the top eight nationally, Rich Alsop, head men's coach, said.

The top eight earned a place in the national meet; Becker finished 10th in the nation, just missing the mark. Freshmen Bryan Thornburg and Matt Johnson also ran well.

Junior Jimmy Jeffrey finished seventh in the 200-meter dash. Junior Jason Yoo was in much the same position, running well, but he did not place.

The NCAA Division II meet will take place this weekend in Indianapolis.



Brandy Haan practices her sprints during Tuesday's workout. Haan will run in the 55-meter dash.

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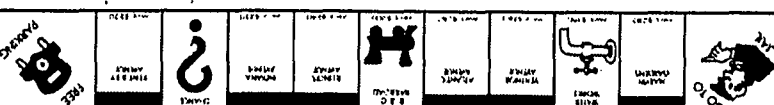
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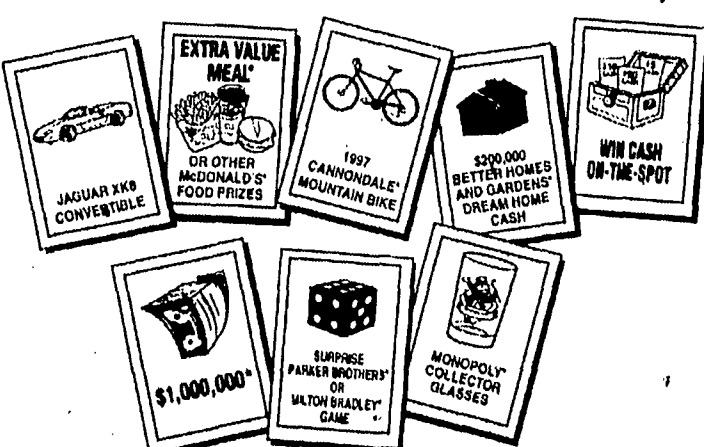
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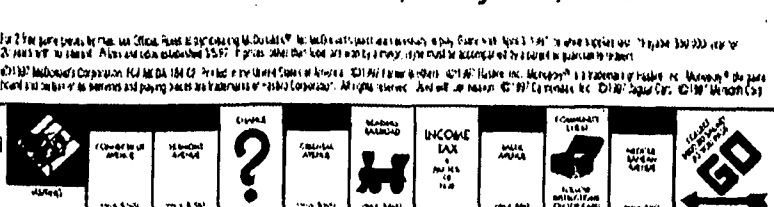
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Chillicothe ends 'Hounds' season

Boys' basketball team suffers loss in district title game Friday, 53-36, caps season winning 14 of final 17

by Scott Summers
Chief Reporter

There was no miracle comeback for the Maryville Spoofhounds Friday night against their nemesis this season, the Chillicothe Hornets.

The Hornets pounded the 'Hounds 53-36 in the Missouri 3A District Championship game, and Maryville ended the year with a 20-8 overall record. The 'Hounds went 5-3 in the Midland Empire Conference.

The Hornets established an early lead in the game, and the Spoofhounds were never able to overcome the Chillicothe lead.

Maryville trailed 8-0 at the end of the first quarter, but the Spoofhounds' stiff defense gave the team a glimmer of hope for another comeback, just as Maryville accomplished in its win over Cameron two night earlier.

Head coach Mike Kuwitzky said Maryville's offensive problems illustrated how well the Hornets played on the defensive end of the floor.

"Chillicothe's defense is really good," Kuwitzky said. "They make it hard on any offense, and you're not going to get a lot of points off them."

The 'Hounds exchanged baskets with Chillicothe in the second quarter but still trailed 18-11 at the half.

Junior Grant Sutton said the Spoofhounds were still effective defensively but just could not find the basket on the other end of the court.

"When you don't score in the first quarter of the game, it makes it hard to get back in the game," Sutton said. "We just couldn't score."

The Hornets' lead never dipped below 10 points in the fourth quarter and the 'Hounds dropped their third-straight game to the Chillicothe this year.

Kuwitzky said his team did not play bad; Chillicothe is just a difficult team to play.

"It was a really good ballgame," Kuwitzky said.



Junior center Adam Weldon drives the baseline on Chillicothe's Justin Bland during Friday night's District 16 championship game at

Cameron. The loss ended the Spoofhounds' season with a 20-8 overall record. The 'Hounds were 0-3 against the Hornets.

"Chillicothe is a great team. They've got it all. They have size, speed, quickness, shooting — everything."

Junior Tylor Hardy led Maryville and was the only player to reach double figures for the 'Hounds, scoring 11 points for the game.

Maryville's overall record was an achievement, especially considering the team stumbled at the beginning of the season going 6-5 in its first 11 games.

"The team had a great season," Kuwitzky said. "They should know they can hold their heads high. We were a young team, and we had a great year to build on. We're going to have a positive future."

Sutton, as well as Kuwitzky, was proud of the team's 14-3 run to finish the season and hopes for better things next year.

"I think we won a lot more games than people thought we would," Sutton said. "Next year will be exciting. We should win a lot of games."

Chris Gelnosky/Community Sports Editor

Swimmers compete at Junior Olympics

Five Polar Bears return from Division II meet at Kansas City school

by Chris Gelnosky
Community Sports Editor

The Northwest Polar Bears roared into Central High School in Kansas City to compete in the Missouri Valley Midwestern Division II Junior Olympics last weekend.

The team is comprised of only five swimmers, but head coach Chad Holmes said he was very impressed with the team's performance at the meet, in which about 100 athletes competed in each event.

"I'm so amazed how well they did," Holmes said. "I've been coaching for two years now, and this is the hardest working group of kids I've coached."

Traci Harr was the lone Polar Bear to qualify for the next step, the Division I meet in Wichita, Kan., this weekend, but Holmes said all swimmers performed well.

Harr competed in the 50-meter freestyle, backstroke and butterfly and the 100-meter freestyle in the 9- and 10-year-old division.

She set personal bests in all four of the races, but the 50-meter butterfly was her qualifying finish. Harr placed 10th at the meet, finishing the race in 40.20 seconds

which was four seconds faster than her best time all year.

Even though Harr can advance to the next meet, Holmes said they will not make the trip because it is a long way to go to compete in one race.

Michelle Fink, the Bears' other 9- and 10-year-old swimmer, competed in the 50-meter freestyle, backstroke and butterfly and 100-meter freestyle. Fink's top finish was 23rd in the 50-meter butterfly, but she also set personal bests in her four events.

In the girls' 11- and 12-year-old division, Megan Weiss competed in the 50-meter freestyle, 100-meter backstroke and the 200-meter freestyle, which was her best finish of the weekend at 32nd place.

Brandon Fannon swam the 50-meter freestyle, 100-meter freestyle and 100-meter breaststroke in the boys' 11- and 12-year-old division. Fannon placed 16th or better in all three of the events with a top finish of 12th in the 100-meter breaststroke.

Holmes said he was happy with the effort and said the swimmers have a lot to look forward to.

"I am extremely proud of the team," Holmes said. "They work hard in practice for the full two hours, and how you practice is how you will perform. They all have very promising futures."

From the BackRow



Chris Gelnosky

how the tournament field will be selected this Sunday. Thirty teams can

Tournament time is right around the corner, so who's in and who's out?

Championship Week is here, and now it's the time to see who will qualify for the NCAA's 64-team bracket, and almost as important, who will not qualify.

First, let's break down

claim automatic bids by winning their conference championship, and the remaining 34 slots are at-large bids.

This year, 21 of the NCAA-Division I conferences will only receive one bid. That means the other 43 invitations will be handed out to teams in the country's nine largest conferences: The Atlantic Coast, Atlantic 10, Big East, Big 10, Big 12, Conference USA, Pacific Coast, Southeastern and Western Athletic.

After adding the teams that have a lock on a bid, I figure about 30, there are only 13 open slots left.

The ACC looks to be this year's big winner. The conference has five locks in Wake Forest, Clemson, Maryland, North Carolina and Duke. Virginia and Florida State may have the opportunity to sneak in.

A 7-9 ACC record should be good enough to get the Cavaliers in, and Florida State knocked off Maryland, Carolina, Clemson and Wake Forest.

The Atlantic 10 will probably only get four bids. Xavier and St. Joseph's are in, leaving UMass, Temple and Rhode Island. UMass and Temple will get in based on the strength of

their schedules. Sorry Rams.

Even though it has been a weaker conference this year, the Big East will get five teams in. 'Nova and BC are in along with streaking Georgetown, West Virginia and Providence.

In the Big 10, Minnesota, Illinois, Indiana and Iowa have nothing to worry about, leaving Michigan, Wisconsin and Purdue. The Boilermakers will probably get in, but the Wolverines and Badgers might be out of luck with end of the year losses.

The Big 12 should do well in its debut. Of course Kansas, Colorado,

Iowa State and Texas are in. Texas Tech should get in, and Oklahoma should receive an invitation with a win in the Big 12 Tournament.

In Conference USA, Marquette has a couple good wins, but a loss to the University of Maine two weeks ago could have been a killer. Memphis and UNC-Charlotte could be others to be left out.

Probably only four will go from the WAC. Utah, New Mexico and Tulsa are in, which leaves one bid between Hawaii, Fresno State, UNLV and Colorado State. Fresno

has a win over UMass and two over Hawaii, so look for "Tark" to be back.

Then there's the Pac 10. UCLA, Arizona and Stanford are in the field of 64, but that might be it this year. California and USC are on the bubble, but it may burst right in their faces Sunday. The Bears lost their leading scorer, 25 points a game, in Ed Gray last week, and the Trojans had few quality wins this season.

But who am I to decide, who will go? You're right, but we'll see.

Chris Gelnosky is the community sports editor for the Northwest Missourian.

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	Rec.	Pts.	Pvs.
1. Kansas (69)	29-1	1773	2
2. Minnesota (2)	26-2	1706	2
3. Utah	23-3	1577	4
4. South Carolina	23-6	1564	6
5. North Carolina	21-6	1466	8
6. Kentucky	27-4	1453	3
7. Duke	23-7	1297	7
8. Wake Forest	22-5	1265	5
9. UCLA	19-7	1243	10
10. Cincinnati	24-6	1039	9
11. Xavier	22-4	1018	14
12. Arizona	19-7	927	15
13. Clemson	21-8	898	12
14. New Mexico	22-6	883	11
15. Illinois	20-8	607	21
16. Iowa State	19-7	606	13
17. Charleston	28-2	544	20
18. Colorado	21-8	490	19
19. St. Joseph's	21-6	481	23
20. Louisville	22-7	456	17
21. Villanova	21-8	437	18
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23. Stanford	18-7	204	26
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	Conference	Overall
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Kansas	15 1	29 1
Colorado	11 5	21 8
Iowa St.	10 6	19 7
Nebraska	7 9	16 13
Missouri	5 11	13 16
Kansas St.	3 13	10 16
SOUTH	W L	W L
Texas	10 6	16 10
Texas Tech	10 6	18 8
Oklahoma	9 7	17 9
Oklahoma St.	7 9	15 13
Baylor	6 10	18 11
Texas A&M	3 13	9 17

Big 12 Tournament

Men's Basketball
Thursday's Schedule
GM 1 — (9) Baylor vs. (8) Oklahoma St.
GM 2 — (12) K-State vs. (5) Texas Tech
GM 3 — (10) Missouri vs. (7) Nebraska
GM 4 — (11) Texas A&M vs. (6) Oklahoma
Friday's Schedule
GM 5 — GM 1 winner vs. (1) Kansas
GM 6 — GM 2 winner vs. (4) Iowa St.
GM 7 — GM 3 winner vs. (2) Texas
GM 8 — GM 4 winner vs. (3) Colorado
Saturday's Schedule
GM 9 — GM 5 winner vs. GM 6 winner
GM 10 — GM 7 winner vs. GM 8 winner
Sunday's Schedule
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Abbott dh	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Hearn 1b	3	0	0	0	0	1	8	0
Sterling c	3	0	1	0	0	0	6	2
Lashley lf	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Beasley 3b	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Bratlien ss	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	4
Smith 2b	2	0	0	0	0	1	3	4
Sartino 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cartney p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Symington p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Crain p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals	22	1	5	1	1	8	21	12

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Second Game March 3

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Sartino dh	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lashley lf	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Hearn 1b	2	0	0	0	1	1	3	1
Bratlien ss	3	0	1	0	0	1	14	0
Porter cf	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Abbott dh	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Beasley 3b	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Bratlien ss	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	6
Smith 2b	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	3
Gutkowski p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals	22	0	4	0	1	8	21	13

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Errors — None, DP — None, LOB — WSU 5, NW 5, 2B — Beasley (1), 3B — VanderWilt (1), HR — None, SB — Driever (2), Porter, SH — Bratlien (2).

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Missouri Western at Northwest

March 4

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Crain lf	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Abbott dh	4	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Sortino dh	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Sterling c	4	1	2	0	2	1	11	7
Hearn 1b	6	3	3	3	0	0	0	0
Beasley 3b	5	2	1	0	0	2	0	2
Soderstrom rf	4	0	1	1	0	0	2	2
Bratlien ss	3	0	2	1	0	0	0	2
Smith 2b	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Peterson p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2

Totals	39	13	11	11	5	5	27	12
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Givin' it a rip



Greg Dalrymple/Photography Director

Northwest sophomore Iva Kutlova returns a shot in Friday's match with Division I opponent Southwest Missouri State University. Kutlova teamed up with Yasmine Osborn in the doubles portion of the competition.

MIAA Schedule

Thursday's games
Central Methodist (Mo.) @ Lincoln
Bemidji (Minn.) State @ Pittsburg State
Washburn @ Northwest
Truman State @ Lambuth (Tenn.)
Ottawa (Kan.) @ Emporia State
Missouri-Rolla @ Gulf Coast Classic

Friday's games
Bemidji (Minn.) @ Pittsburg State
Truman State @ LeMoyne-Owen (Tenn.)
Mankato (Minn.) State @ Missouri Western
Missouri-Rolla @ Gulf Coast Classic

Saturday's games
Northwest @ Nebraska-Omaha
Lincoln @ Central Missouri State

Doubles — Aguirre-Ramirez d. Turner-Higgins, 8-4. Bermudez-McFee d. Gale-White, 8-0. Leitenbauer-Lazarte d. Shackelford-Manos, 8-3.

Feb. 28 at Lamkin Activity Center
Northwest 6 Northern Iowa 0

Singles — Ricardo Aguirre (NW) d. Chad Carney, 6-1, 6-0. Gustavo Lazarte (NW) d. Brandon Lindsey, 6-1, 6-2. Nick McFee (NW) d. J.D. Knudson, 6-2, 6-3.

Doubles — Aguirre-Ramirez (NW) d. Knudson-Hollstrom, 8-2. Leitenbauer-Crook (NW) d. Streska-Young, 8-6. Bermudez-McFee (NW) d. Yaska-Streis, 9-8.

Athletic Shorts

Parks and Rec volleyball starts play next week

Northwest intramurals are not the only choice for recreation in Maryville.

The Parks and Recreation will be starting its coed volleyball league Monday. The date to sign up a team has already passed, but individuals can still be added to pre-registered teams.

Also, summer softball leagues begin in May. Registration dates are tentatively set for April 7-18, but it may be moved to later in the month.

High school spring sports begin practices Monday

Spring may not officially start until March 21, but believe it or not, spring sports are here.

Monday was the first official practice day of high school spring sports in Missouri, and season schedules will start in about three weeks.

For Maryville High School, that includes baseball, boys' tennis, boys' golf and boys' and girls' track.

MIAA awards individuals with all-conference honors

The MIAA released their women's and men's basketball all-conference teams this week.

Pam Cummings earned second team honors by leading the MIAA in assists for the third-straight season.

Six Bearcats were named honorable mention all-conference. They included senior Johnnie Williams, junior Brian Burleson and sophomore Matt Redd on the men's side. The women also earned three spots on the team and they included senior Kristin Folk and juniors Justean Bohnsack and Annie Coy.

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Arthena Prather, Millikan RA, works on a bulletin board. RAs are required to have a certain number of programs for their residents each semester. Programs are used to educate residents and used as social events. Some programs presented by RAs discussed such topics as dating, self-esteem, AIDS awareness, date rape and eating disorders.

Cat Eldridge/Features Editor

Students learn life-long skills

by Karen Conrad
Missourian Staff

Imagine having to worry about a floor of people, plus the loads of homework and activities going on in your own life. This is what Resident Assistants experience every day.

Recruitment for new RAs starts this spring. They must have a 2.5 cumulative GPA and maintain a 2.0 semester GPA. They need previous experience living on campus and must acquire 28 Northwest hours.

RAs receive a room and board scholarship. The refund check you receive depends on the how long you have lived on campus.

Free room and board is a great incentive, but Arthena Prather, Millikan RA, said there is more to being an RA than the money.

"You have to genuinely want to make a difference," Prather said. "You get experience working with all sorts of people, all with different backgrounds."

The job of an RA is multi-faceted. They help their residents with any

problems or questions they have.

There are five required front desk hours, and RAs must put a certain number of programs together for their floor. These programs are beneficial and educational for the residents.

"It is very time consuming," Prather said. "You want to be there all the time, but you have to be a student first."

Another aspect of this job includes creating a comfortable living environment for residents, especially for freshmen.

College is preparation for life, and the years students spend living in the dorms is a major part of that growing process.

"It's like your own place and it resembles a neighborhood," Prather said. "(Residential hall life) provides real world situations."

Being a RA is a great experience, however, it requires a lot of work.

Dieterich RA Gary Murphy does not think the work and pay can be compared.

"There are a lot of personal re-

wards behind the scholarship," Murphy said. "It is an experience you'll never regret."

Tresa Barlage, Millikan Hall director, also believes there are many benefits. It looks great on a resumé, and is a good learning experience.

Lau Sao, pre-professional zoology major, agrees that RA experience is good to have on a resumé.

"It looks great on a resumé, especially if you're in the education field or involved with people in general," Sao said. "You get to meet a lot of people and it gives you experience for jobs in the future."

Sao said being an RA isn't always as good as it sounds, but a good attitude goes a long way.

"It all depends on your attitude toward the job," she said.

Barlage said RAs learn more than just how to live in a confined space.

"You learn better time management and communication skills, as well as a feeling of pride for helping others," Barlage said. "RAs learn as much as they teach others."

Wanted:

People who have the desire to make a genuine difference in residential hall life

Residents prepare to take charge

by Adam Buckley
Missourian Staff

Many students consider the residence halls a stepping stone to an off-campus residence, whether it is renting an apartment or sharing a house.

The idea of living in an 11-by-14 room without a bathroom for four years is not an appealing thought to the average college student.

However, there are those who think the residence halls are a great place to live, where fun times are had day in and day out (minus the alcohol, of course).

Often, these students become resident hall assistants — you know, those people you go to in the middle of the night to let you in your room because you forgot your keys.

Actually, the job has many responsibilities, such as planning programs for the floors and getting the residents to mingle with each other, and taking care of discipline matters.

Without RAs, the halls would probably fall apart.

Next semester's group of candidates have applied for the resident assistant positions.

The application process is tedious, but Betty Dye, residential life coordinator, makes it a smooth one.

"I'm not the one that actually makes the decisions, but I make sure our process is fair and that people are making decisions appropriately," Dye said. "I'm present during all of the interviews and throughout the whole process."

The deciding factors are based on scores accumulated from the examinations taken by candidates.

"It's a two-step process," Dye said. "They go through a group interview exercise where the candidates are in groups, then they go through an individual interview where they are interviewed by staff and students."

The scores from these interviews are used extensively in the deciding of future RAs.

After the scores are compiled, and the candidates are ranked according to the results, they look at their individual files and references.

"It's not totally scores (that decide a future RA), but the scores are what keep the process honest," Dye said.

There are many reasons why a student decides to become an RA.

Two of the most common are the scholarships it offers and the opportunity to interact with more people.

"Basically, it's the money issue," Meena Ewing, an elementary education major applying for an RA position, said. "But it's also because I love people and working with them. It's gonna give me the experience I'll need in the teaching field."

Education programs help the residents with real life problems. Ewing has some ideas for programs planned.

"Making people more aware of different cultures, and getting past the color and ethnic issues some people have is one of my goals," Ewing said. "Also, at the beginning of the year, I have spur-of-the-moment activities so the residents can get to know one another better."

Ewing said if she becomes an RA, her job would run more smoothly if residents come to her regularly and give her regular feedback.

Students in the halls are not the only ones to benefit from RAs, the RAs themselves strengthen qualities they want to improve.

Dan Seyer, chemistry major, has applied to assist residents, but also to improve on his people skills.

"I think the job will put me in a place where I can be a little more socially active," Seyer said.

Being an RA has its ups and downs like any other job.

Cooperation from both sides would help ensure a quality experience in residential life for everyone.

Remembering that RAs are real people helps to make those years spent in residence halls memorable.

"I would just want respect," Seyer said. "I understand things are going to happen, and nobody's perfect."

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Dan Seyer,
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Students take time to help others

Special Olympics showcases talent

by Adam Buckley
Missourian Staff

Atlanta may have quieted down after its Olympic summer, but Maryville is burning up with competition with its very own Special Olympics.

One of the Special Olympics' goals is to provide different types of Olympic games year round for children and adults with mental retardation. The games provide them the opportunities to develop their skills in athletics and to foster feelings of friendship with each other and the community.

Marty Blacketer, who has worked with Special Olympics for many years, thinks the program is a wonderful way for mentally handicapped people to stay active. But one thing the Special Olympics is lacking in Maryville is publicity.

"What we really need is publicity so that when these events come up, we can have sponsors that would be willing to provide financial support for one of the athletes," Blacketer said.

Currently, M&M Feed company in Maryville is the only business sponsoring the Special Olympics. When Blacketer asked them to match a certain amount for one of the participants, they did willingly.

Blacketer became active in Special Olympics because her son was mentally retarded. He died 13 years ago this month. In her son's memory, she remains active and stays involved to help others who need her time.

Even though her son passed away, he continued impacting lives, such as the life a young man who was bowling with the group. The man could not find a ball that fit his hand right. When Blacketer lent him her son's bowling ball, it fit perfectly.

Bowling is not the only sport the players participate in. Basketball and track and field are others that take place throughout the year.



Rusty McKenzie/Missourian Staff

Special Olympic bowlers practice at Bearcat Lanes with the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity. There are currently 18 bowlers on the Nodaway team. Athletes also compete in swimming.

Currently, the bowling team has 42 participants from sheltered workshops around the area, and other group homes also lend their support.

The players are special because of their drive to compete and have fun, even after a long day of work. Blacketer said the athletes are always eager to compete and have fun.

"The bowling program has been going now for quite a number of years," Blacketer said. "It's amazing

that after the people have been working at the sheltered workshops from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., that when they come in for bowling, they are as peppy as if they were just getting out of bed."

Some might wonder if mentally retarded people are capable of participating in sports with any skill. The truth is, a lot have more spirit and drive than some people who aren't mentally challenged.

"They are very loving, well-mannered people, and I've never been ashamed to work with them," Blacketer said.

Deon Roush, owner of Bearcat Lanes where the Special Olympic participants bowl, agrees the athletes are very good and cause no trouble at all. "The participants vary in age from

15 to 60, and they can all compete against each other here," Roush said. "It's a real nice social time, and we've never had any real problems with the group."

Roush said there are no special precautions taken for the bowlers, but ramps can be set up to assist handicapped bowlers who can't walk down the lane.

Competing to win is one of the aspects why the group comes together, but it's also the idea of being with each other and having fun.

"They really look forward to the times they bowl, and we have a lot of college students come out to help us," Roush said.

One organization involved with helping the participants in both bowling and basketball is the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity.

Not only do they bowl with them, but they help keep score and assist anyone who needs help with their bowling skills.

Christian Murphy, secretary of Phi Sig, said they got involved when the national fraternity changed from being involved with March of Dimes to Special Olympics. They said March of Dimes already had enough sponsors.

However, if the nationals change again, Murphy said they will continue to work with Special Olympics because they enjoy being with them.

"For me, personally, you get a better appreciation for the smaller things in life," Murphy said. "You can't help but feel good about helping other people out."

Being with individuals who have a disability can be a daunting experience for many people, but once people learn what a disability actually is, the fears can be alleviated and a pleasurable experience is almost guaranteed.

"A lot of people were kind of skeptical at first, which if you've never been in that situation you would be," Murphy said. "But after a lot of people go, they love it and go back."

Thanks to people like Blacketer, Roush and the men of Phi Sigma Kappa, Special Olympics can remain a part of Maryville for a long time to come.

Community service is goal for sorority

Tau Phi Upsilon takes initiative to contribute to city organizations

by Karen Conrad
Missourian Staff

The Lenten season provides time for people to sacrifice their own wants and needs, and take time out for others. Tau Phi Upsilon, a sorority based on community service, follows these guidelines throughout the year as a group.

These women are required to perform nine service hours a semester. Nine hours may not seem like a lot to some people, but it is time that could be spent doing something else, said Amanda Muller, Tau Phi Upsilon member.

"It takes an initiative on your part to go out there and do things," Muller said.

Along with the service hours, part of their dues include a donation of two cans per month to the food pantry. Members also volunteer their services at the nursing home, and many women

volunteer their time at Horace Mann school programs.

"The people there (nursing home) are so happy just to have someone to talk to," Muller said. "If you help the community, it will get back to you eventually."

The women also help cleaning parks and the animal shelter. Sometimes they are even given the chance to walk the animals at the shelter. Kathy Ramirez said, Tau Phi Upsilon committee chair said the food pantry is always looking for volunteers.

This group of 22 active members, have eight new women. Along with service hours, they must also maintain a 2.0 GPA.

If they have under a 2.5 GPA they are given two study hours in the library, along with two "honesty hours" to ensure they maintain their GPA.

"Community service is the pillar of our sorority, the community is our main philanthropy," Ramirez said.

Maryville Health Care and Rehabilitation is looking for volunteers to provide a variety of services. One of the duties includes playing the piano for the residents.

Are you looking for volunteer opportunities in Maryville? You have many options. Here are a few organizations you can help:

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- Special Olympics

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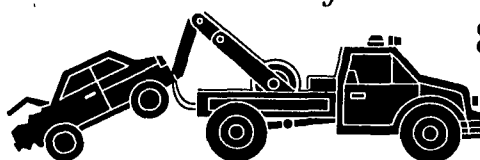
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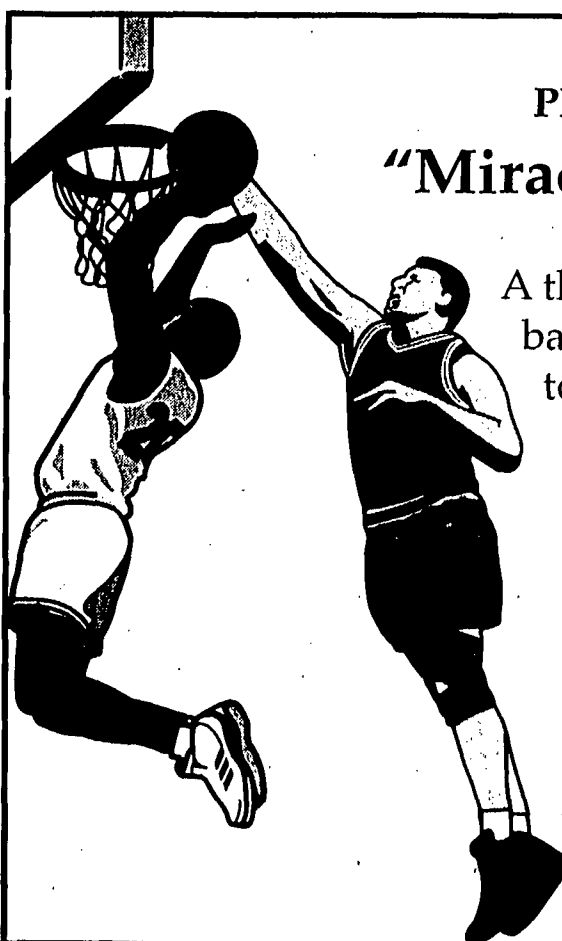
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The Stroller

Your Man stands up for Bobby



The Stroller

Yours Truly makes amends with Bobby, seeks a little fun on campus

Before Your Man gets back into his love life (if you recall from last week) I would like to give some "props" to my former person of ridicule — Mr. Bobby Bearcat.

Yes, I know myself and the Bobster haven't always been the best of friends. But I would just like to say Bobby has got it.

Last week at the Missouri Western game, Bobby strolled (ironic) out to center court and challenged Mr. Griff to a dual. I wish I could have witnessed all of this, but if the stories I've heard are anywhere close to what the actual event was like, this was surely one heck of a battle.

Apparently while I was falling for a girl at the bar on Saturday, Bobby and Griff got into a little pushing match. Unknown to Bobby, he was being out-shoved by the dreadlock-wearing mascot. It was in the rematch during a timeout where Bobby deemed his revenge.

The fight started out with a left hook and a slight shove from each mascot. Then things started to get a little more physical. Then with the lightning reflexes that all members of the cat family possess, Bobby lunged at the Griffon and landed a solid right paw on the beak of the ugly bird.

Not liking this a whole lot the bird attacked back, but he crossed the line of mascot etiquette when he tried to pull Bobby's head off. Bet that could have hurt. However, Bobby did land some more vicious blows to the head of the Griffon — winning the match undoubtedly.

Your Man would like to apologize for all of the bad things I have said about you Bobby. You are truly a great and powerful creature on this campus.

Mr. Bearcat, you are the man — I mean animal. No, I mean creature. Oh well, you get the picture.

Now back to my love life....

Your Man waited until the next afternoon to call the future Mrs. Stroller. With anticipation, I dialed the number scribbled on the back of a bar napkin. Unfortunately, when I was walking her to the car, my palms were sweating and the number was smudged.

Could this not be the worst luck one person living on this planet could have? I guess a certain truck driver's luck must have been pretty bad last week. At least I never left a truck's air brakes off and let it to roll into some parked cars behind the Valk Building. That's pretty bad luck if you ask me.

Now with no life, no future, no chance of finding her again, I sat at home and did nothing. For two days, depression set in. I did, however, go to class which was an obvious sign I was upset. I went home and flipped on the tube. There wasn't anything on as I recall except for a talk show.

It appeared to be the Letterman show, but it was a show done here in Maryville. Something called "Maryville Tonight." If you ask me, and no one will, I would have to say it looks a lot like "Late Night with David Letterman."

Is there a copyright law? The only thing this show needs is Paul Schaefer. But hey, the show is funny. I like it. It's entertainment, and something this town needs.

The entertainment isn't here anymore. Of course you could go to a Student Senate meeting and hear them talk about writing letters or complaining of higher tuition.

Maybe we need to approach them and ask what happened to the ice rink that was supposed to be built. I had my skates all shined up for it.

But to really entertain yourself, just smile. When people around you are having a crappy day, and you just smile, it will really drive people nuts.

Smile, that's what I hope happens when people read this — just smile.

Now Your Man has gone interactive. If you have suggestions on entertainment in Maryville. Send me a letter. Send it to Northwest Missourian, c/o The Stroller, 800 University Drive, Maryville, MO 64468.

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Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Condensation
- 5 Family member
- 9 Effrontery
- 13 Unique thing
- 14 — mignon
- 15 Butterine
- 16 Rights org.
- 17 Inclined to one side
- 18 Car damage

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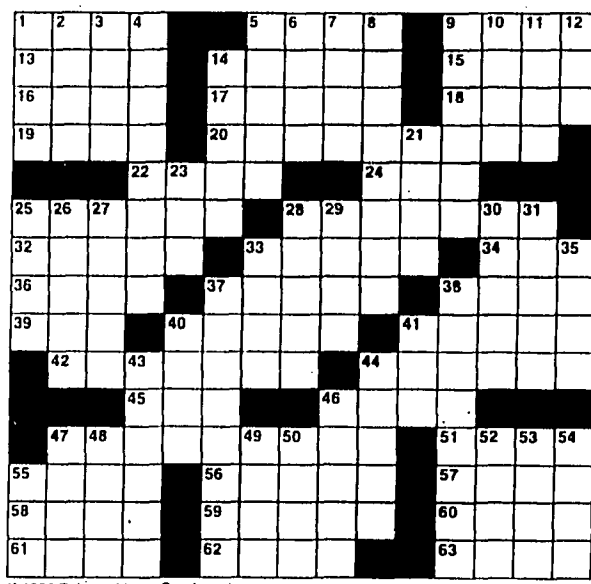
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- 47 Those escaping disaster
- 51 Let fall
- 55 Mona —
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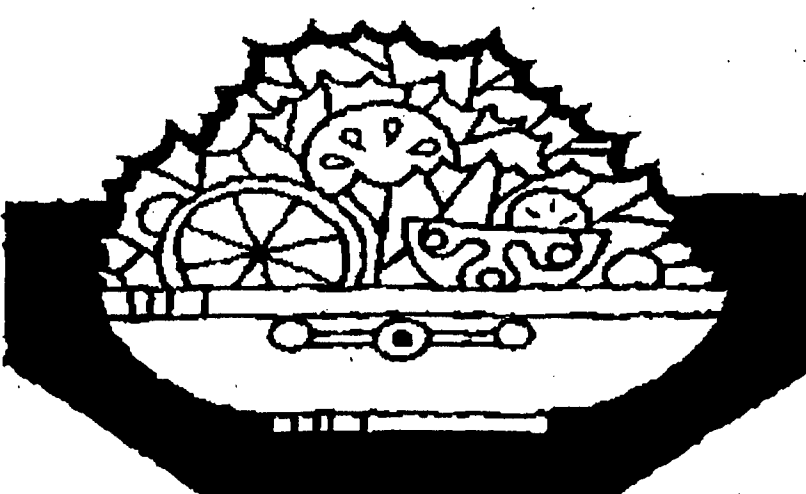
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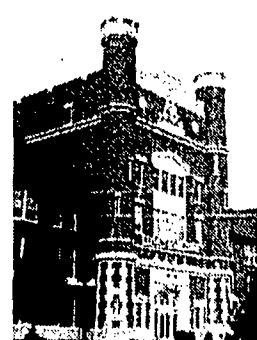
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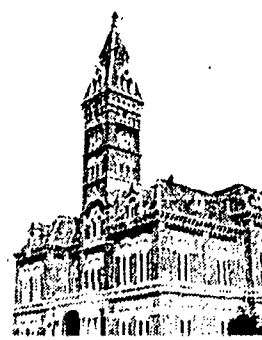
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Dunham serves comedy on a stick

RIGHT: Jeff Dunham, comic ventriloquist, autographs posters back stage after his Wednesday show in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

BOTTOM: Dunham performs with one of his most popular characters, Peanut, a maniacal, purple, green-haired "woozle."



Gene Cassell/Photography Director

by Christina Collings
Design Editor

Northwest was introduced to a new drink — the Phillips Screwdriver (vodka and Milk of Magnesia) at Jeff Dunham's ventriloquist comedy show Wednesday night.

The drink was just one of Dunham's new jokes that provided a mix of old favorites and new material in his show. "Compared to last time, it was fantastic," agriculture major Brian Hopf said. "The shows were similar but there was a lot of new stuff."

For the second year in a row, Dunham and his "partners in comedy," Walter, Peanut and Jose Jalepeño on a stick, made a stop in Maryville.

While every venue is different and has its positives and negatives, Dunham does enjoy performing on college campuses.

"Audiences tend to be more honest at the college level," Dunham said. "If they like you they love you, and if they don't like you, they get up and go have a piece of pizza."

Dunham made himself at home by poking fun at Pumpkin Center and Burlington Junction.

As a native of Texas, Dunham also teased about the blustery winter weather he encountered during last year's performance.

Dunham is highly recognized for his three main characters, also commonly called his "partners in comedy."

Walter, a bitterly funny old man who is currently featured in a Hertz Rent-A-Car commercial, started Dunham's performance.

"People don't recognize me from the commercial — they think of Walter," Dunham said.

Dunham uses Walter in his show because he has the ability to remind people of themselves or someone they know.

"Walter is my favorite because he reminds me of my grouchy grandma," sociology major Christie Howell said.

Next on Dunham's agenda was Peanut, a purple, pot-bellied "woozle" with a sense of humor who likes to aggravate the audience.

"Most of Peanut's material comes from just goofing off on stage," Dunham said.

Dunham unveiled his oldest and final character, Jose Jalepeño on a stick, which is self explanatory.

"Jose is a phenomenon that I really can't understand because he is just a jalepeño on a stick," Dunham said. "And yet if people see my act and then don't see it for another 10 years, that is the one part they remember."

Monica Smith contributed to this story.



Gene Cassell/Photography Director

Enrollment goes down

But more stay at Northwest over the years

by Stephanie Zellstra

Missourian Staff

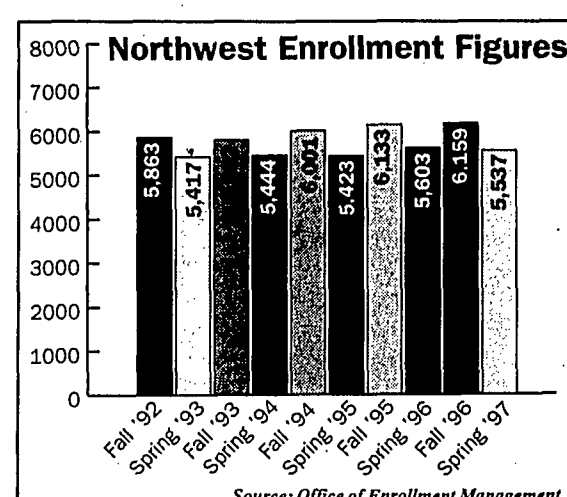
Although spring enrollment is down, the census date figures show that more students are staying at Northwest from year to year.

Roger Pugh, dean of enrollment management, anticipated the official census

date enrollment to be close to last year's official census figure of 5,603. Pugh reported an enrollment of 4,938 on the first day of classes, which was 31 students less than the first day of classes in January 1996.

With the census data report of 5,537 enrolled students, Pugh believes Northwest is right on track. Pugh's main concern is keeping the quality of the education high and continuing the high retention of students yearly.

His efforts to keep the students coming back are shown in his enrollment reports. Northwest continues to retain more undergraduate students each year. This spring, 10 percent of the freshman class failed to return. This figure is usually 12 to 15 per-



Source: Office of Enrollment Management

Colleen Cooke/Managing Editor

cent, and shows why enrollment figures have remained fairly close from semester to semester.

The enrollment figures for the past six years range from fall numbers of 6,093 in 1990, to 6,159 in the fall of 1996. In the past 10 years these numbers have fluctuated, but have increased steadily since 1993.

The breakdown of the number of students shows a considerable increase in the number of transfer students. The final census for spring 1996 showed 89 transfer students compared to 104 transfer students for this spring. However, the fall figure for transfer student enrollment has declined. The number of transfer students peaked in 1995 with 390, but was down last fall to 287.

Board to set land price

by Nicole Fuller
Opinion Editor

Any city, state or governmental agency will have the opportunity to bid for the 40 acres of land located northwest of the University after the appraisal and minimum price are set.

If the bond issue passed in previous years, the land would have been the site for a new middle school. However, hitting the ballots April 1 is a new bond proposal touting a new site next to the high school.

The School Board will set the minimum price at the March 19 meeting and it will then be advertised.

Rego Jones, Board president said they will follow Board real estate procedures in selling the property.

Board policy requires them to ob-

tain an appraisal from a licensed real estate appraiser, then they must notify cities, state agencies, municipal corporations or other governmental subdivisions of the state located within district boundaries; that the land is for sale. If the property is not sold to a governmental agency in the time allotted, it will be available for private individuals to buy.

Gary Bell, superintendent of schools, said the government agencies will have 30 days from the March 19 meeting to bid, and once the April 16 meeting comes, the Board will make a final bid approval.

"If no sale is made that is when we shall open it up to the general public," Bell said. "The general public will then go through the same process through the May 21 meeting."

Professor enjoys geography's draw

by Juliet Martin
Assistant University News Editor

With the most number of advisees on campus, people might guess that finding time to talk with Don Hagan, professor of geography, would be difficult. They would be wrong.

With the geography/geology department ranking among the largest on campus with more than 400 majors and minors, Hagan's number of advisees is estimated to be between 215 and 240. But that doesn't stop him from finding time for students, according to Chris Lukasina, sophomore geology and broadcasting major.

"Dr. Hagan helped me decide to get into geography, his door is always open, whether it's about a problem or just to say hi," Lukasina said.

Hagan, originally from Columbia, is in his 32nd year at Northwest and is proud of the geography/geology department, which has ranked second in undergraduate programs across the nation since 1989.

"Our ranking has given us visibility to grow and helped us to acquire the kinds of instructional equipment we need," Hagan said.

He decided to pursue teaching after working as a teaching assistant at the graduate level.

"I decided pretty quickly that I wanted to do," he said. "I loved working with college kids, I felt like I could identify with them and explain things in a way they would understand."

Hagan shares his love of geography with his students and informs them of its career possibilities.

"I'm a very enthusiastic spokesperson for the discipline of geography as a major because as a career counselor I see that it has greater potential for opening career doors to a wider variety of employment

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PR directors to leave Northwest

Husband and wife team plan to move to Iowa after one accepts job

by Jacob DiPietre
Chief Reporter

After a combined 30 years of service, two familiar faces will no longer be seen at Northwest.

Carol Gieseke, director of publications, accepted a position to become the editor in chief of the Iowa State University Alumni magazine *Visions*.

"It is the perfect job for me," Carol said. "It combines all the things I like best. It is a prestigious school and the program is very high quality."

While Carol, who starts her new job April 1, will leave at the end of March, her husband, Dave, is going to stay until the middle of May depending on when he finds a new job.

"I would prefer to live in Ames," Dave said. "There are all kinds of opportunities there in public relations and events, all the stuff that I have done here."

While Dave will be leaving Northwest, he would still like to work at a University.

"It is great — I love working on a college campus, I love working with the students, and I can't imagine not being on one," Dave said.

The Northwest atmosphere is something Carol will miss as well. She is excited about starting a new job, but there are still many things she will miss.



Gene Cassell/Photography Director

Carol Gieseke, director of publications, works on a EC97 program brochure. Carol will be leaving at the end of March while her husband, Dave Gieseke, director of news and information, will join her in May.

The people she has worked with over the past 15 years is what she will miss the most.

"I think I will miss the people — that's not really a job-oriented thing, but I will miss all the nice people," Carol said. "I have made a lot of good friends. I have been here for a long time and made a lot of close friends."

Carol and Dave will not be the only Giesekes leaving. Their two daughters, Katie, 10, and Lauren, 6, will be making the move as well. Dave said he thinks his daughters will be glad to move around a little.

"I never had the opportunity to move when I was growing up," Dave said. "Sometimes it's good to change and move around."

The Giesekes met when they were freshmen at Northwest, and have worked for the University since 1982. During this time, Dave says the thing he will miss the most is the students.

"I appreciate all the opportunities the University has given us," Dave said. "One thing I will miss though is the students, especially the students in this office — I'll really miss working with them."

Departure to leave more than 2 slots

by Jacob DiPietre
Chief Reporter

Help wanted — only two people are leaving the public relations office, but it will take four new employees to fill their shoes.

Dave and Carol Gieseke are leaving the University after 15 years of service.

Carol received a job at Iowa State University as the editor in chief of the alumni magazine *Visions*. She will leave at the end of the month.

During their Northwest adventure, the Giesekes have expanded their job descriptions to include *Northwest This Week*, Northwest's World Wide Web page and different student recruitment brochures and posters.

Robert Henry, former public relations officer, said the Giesekes have gone above and beyond their actual job descriptions.

"In different ways their roles were to market the University," Henry said. "And they have done that in a superb way."

Along with marketing Northwest, Henry, who retired from Northwest

See GIESEKES, page 5

OurView

OF THE UNIVERSITY

Students need to help keep University clean

The construction on campus is something of an uncontrollable force. But aside from the mud and trenches, the way that our campus presents itself is something that we can control. Northwest students need to work on making this campus as presentable as possible, especially since prospective students are touring it.

When potential students tour the campus during this time of year, they do not merely look at the outside of buildings or the inside of Owens Library. They notice the garbage strewn around the outside of the halls, the way we look and act and the pride we do or do not take in being a Northwest student.

During the day, be aware of your actions. Try to remember what your first impressions of the student body were during your tour. Did you see influence you in any way? A change in lifestyle isn't what we are suggesting, just clean it up a little.

True, visiting students are probably going to look unfavorably on our once-beautiful campus because very necessary construction is turning our home into a mud pit. But it doesn't have to be a hog's nest, too.

The next time those of you who live in residence halls decide you need a little extra entertainment and settle on throwing television sets and chairs out the seventh floor windows, think again.

The only thing you are going to get out of is a few minutes of fun. But bright and early the next morning

others will be admiring your handy work in a different way. Those doing the admiring will most likely be the people who are touring and thinking about making Northwest their ultimate choice. But how ultimate is Northwest when the lawns resemble landfills?

Another problem with litter is that student ambassadors giving tours are having a hard time explaining the abundance of empty beer cans and cases that are visible in various spots on campus.

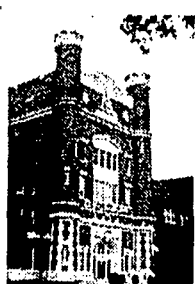
A litter problem is one thing to deal with, but it is kind of hard to convince parents that this is a dry campus when they are stepping over empty beer cans in their path.

It is time for everyone on campus to take responsibility for what it looks like. Stop throwing your trash and cigarette butts on the ground because no one wants to see it. There are plenty of containers all over campus to throw your waste away in, so use them.

Also, think about how you are behaving when you know a tour is coming through or any other time of the day.

And if you break the rules and drink on campus, at least be courteous enough to throw the containers in the trash instead of out your window. You aren't being sneaky when you do that because everyone still knows what general vicinity it came from.

Let's work together to make Northwest look its best, even in this difficult time of construction. It can be done. Just make the effort to do it.



OurView

OF THE COMMUNITY

New welfare reform affects future of many

By the end of the year, millions of people will be affected by the new welfare reform law which marks one of the largest cuts in the 35-year history of the food stamp program.

Under the new welfare reform, adults between the ages of 18 to 50 who are single, unemployed, without children and no disabilities can only be on food stamps for three months in any three-year period.

We are basically telling the people who this affects to get out and get a job. It is not that difficult, especially when you see help wanted signs all over the place or people hiring in general.

People need to go out and look for the job, because it will not just come up to their door and knock. There are no excuses either. For example people always use the excuse of "I don't have a car because I cannot afford it." Well we have some advice for you — walk.

This new reform is already hurting many people across the nation and will affect thousands more in the months to come.

The affect will show in the bigger

cities that have more homeless and poverty than some small towns. Because of the huge drop, the economy in bigger cities, will more likely see a greater effect. This is why 30 states have applied for a waiver to help out economically.

The federal government said 40 percent of those affected by the provision are women and one-third of them are 40 years or older. It is estimated that 1 million people will be affected by the end of the year — most of them the "poorest of America's poor."

The division of family services in Maryville said that the new welfare reform law will affect about 10 households in town in the month of March.

Larger affects are possible by the end of the year, but they are not sure at this time.

The government was not joking when it said it would revamp welfare.

It is obvious a change was needed in the former, so let's support the government on its new path to a sound welfare system. It can be done.



I'D LIKE TO STRESS THAT NORTHWEST IS A DRY CAMPUS

MyTurn

Big mouth prompts going to class



Jacob DiPietre

Student learns that academic success requires regular attendance

I have witnessed a lot of people putting their foot in their mouths. But I guess when it comes down to it, I may have the mother of all feet.

Last time it was "My Turn," I made a very generalized and somewhat cocky comment about my math class. I believe my exact words were something to the effect of, "As I received my last A in the math class I rarely attend..." — I learned it was big mistake.

First of all my instructor, who apparently is a avid reader of the Northwest Missourian — who knew? — started to pay more attention to my truant tendencies and didn't fail to point out any inconsistencies in my attendance.

In fact, when the opportunity came for him to let me know what he thought he didn't just let it go — he made his point quite clear.

I remember it vividly as he was passing back graded tests. I was dreading this moment because I wasn't prepared when I took the

exam. Finally the instructor made his way to me and handed me the test. Much to my dismay I got a big fat C. Obviously my theory of class attendance had its short comings.

But the fact I got less than an A wasn't the end of the story. My instructor went above and beyond simply awarding me my grade — my test was in a sea of red.

He didn't fail to mark it up with comments, and like all you math majors know, comments are rare from mathematics instructors.

In rebuttal to my column's claim, my teacher made a smart remark on my paper. "This doesn't look like any kind of A to me — ATTEND CLASS REGULARLY!" I believe is what it said.

This harsh, but true comment kept me on my toes for about a week. But I soon returned to my stupid freshman ways. I began to focus my study skills on extra-curricular activities, but unfortunately these weren't school sanctioned.

And it hit me in the end, I didn't receive the A which I boastfully claimed I could attain. My failure to attend regularly and to prepare landed me, once again, a big fat C for the final grade.

This epidemic didn't affect just one class, it spread like a virus.

For instance, I had troubles in my American Historical Survey class last semester. You may think my troubles stemmed from course content.

Looking back I realize I would have had a lot less trouble if I went to class more than twice a month. And as they say, in my case, history is repeating itself.

Although I couldn't tell you squat about the Revolutionary war, which for all I know involved Cortez and Ghandi, I did learn that going to class is a must for academic success.

Jacob DiPietre is a chief reporter for the Northwest Missourian.

MyTurn

College years can lead to lifelong friends



Christy Collings

Getting out and meeting new people makes campus experience worthwhile

College life is a completely different story from high school with many adjustments to be made when making the transition from one to the other.

The biggest adjustment for me was making new friends without losing sight of my high school friends. I figured the best way to deal with this adjustment was to simply get involved in something on campus.

This was easier said than done, in my mind. I never had a problem getting involved and making friends in high school, so I was scared when I realized that I was going to be in a completely new place, and only knowing a few people.

For me, my high school was a sense of security. I have gone to school in that town all my life. It was a comfortable surrounding for me and I knew practically everyone and they all knew me.

Everybody has heard the old cliché "when you graduate from high school and move on to college, it is there where you will meet the people who will be your best friends for life."

Until I actually started college, I wasn't sure this was going to be the case for me. I didn't even know where to begin to make this adjust-

ment.

College is so much bigger, size-wise, than high school. I thought in college, students were just a number among thousands, and it would be harder to find people that could actually be trusted and feel like they were genuine and a true friend.

I know that sounds cold, but it is the truth. It was hard enough finding someone you could trust and really call your friend in high school.

I think that it would be two times as hard, if not more, to do that in college with the hundreds of people there are on campus.

While I have only been in college for a short time, and I have yet to fully live through all of the trials and tribulations of it, I have already overcome my fear and gotten into all aspects that surround college life.

Overcoming this adjustment took a lot of patience and effort on my part. What I decided to do was to get involved on campus.

This would assist my adjustment in many ways. It would help me make new friends, as well as become more involved with my major.

Everything involves some type

of interaction with people: Going to class, living in the residence halls and participating in organizations, including Greek life.

This idea that friendships in college would last a lifetime and completely accomplishing what I had set out to do came to me this past weekend while attending a sorority event.

At this event, I discovered that those people around me were truly my friends who cared about my well-being. Their caring dealt not only with college-related things, but my personal well-being too.

Making friends is not just confined to Greek life. It is apparent in every organization on campus and this is true for me. I have made friends while involved in various organizations as well as classes and residential life.

Getting involved, learning with academics and meeting new people is all a part of a well-rounded college experience.

So my suggestion to you is to go out and get involved on campus whether it be Greek life or not. There is a friend out there just waiting to be found.

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Thank you for story

Dear Editor,

The members of CARE would like to thank you for writing the story about the condom roses we sold.

We appreciate the publicity and advertisement. We prefer to go by our initials of CARE instead of Chemical Abuse Resource and Education. We feel that more students recognize our group by our initials.

As a follow-up on your article, we would like for the students to know where the money is going from the condom rose fund-raiser since we are a non-profit organization.

The money will be donated to the Hale House in New York. The Hale House is a place where drug/alcohol-born babies who were given up can live. Volunteers come to give these babies the love and nurturing they need

in the first three or so years. CARE would again like to thank you for publishing the story.

Stephany Louk,
CARE secretary

Save sex for marriage

Dear Editor,

I wish to comment on two articles on the use of condoms in the Feb. 13, 1997, issue of the Northwest Missourian. They are "A Rose by any other name" and "Condom Day is celebrated on Valentine's Day."

Wrong. Possibly dead wrong. Sexual intimacy is a good thing; a special gift from God to be used within marriage — a lifetime commitment. Any other use of this ability is seriously wrong. Here is what C. Everett Koop, former U.S. Surgeon general had to say:

"When you have sex with someone, you are having sex

with everyone they have had sex with for the last ten years, and everyone they and their partners have had sex with for the last ten years."

Now consider this quote from "Is Sex Safe?" (Gravestone publications, PO Box 45057, Boise, Idaho 83711): "STDs (sexually transmitted diseases) are not prevented with condom use: 1) some

STDs transmit skin to skin; 2) Condoms have a 17 percent failure rate; that's 1 in 6. Some STDs are incurable and can eventually kill."

Also, you could be legally liable if you infect someone. Save sex for marriage.

Bertha Goettmoeller,
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Character — a missing link in sex education



Eduardo J. Echeverria

Mature chastity is the reason for fewer unwanted pregnancies, abortions

T.S. Eliot (1886-1965), poet and critic, wrote that modern thinkers are always "dreaming of systems so perfect that no one will need to be good."

Some views of sex education display this mentality. They assume, in Barbara Dafoe Whitehead's words, "a deeply technocratic understanding of teenage sexuality." In other words, "once teenagers acquire a formal body of sex knowledge and skills, along with the proper contraceptive technology, they will be able to govern their own sexual behavior responsibly." ("The Failure of Sex Education" in *The Atlantic Monthly*, October 1994.)

Responsible sexual behavior, on this view, does not involve virtuous ordering of one's sexual feelings, passions and emotions for the sake of making morally good choices.

All that is required in this technocratic approach to sex is to be counted as sexually "responsible" is a condom. Allegedly, one can avoid both pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases with this contraceptive technology. It is the quick fix, technical solution for avoiding harm, in short, "safe sex." The assumption seems to be that harming one's health is the only problem at stake, which totally ignores the question of harming one's character of being morally good. Indeed, as William Kilpatrick rightly says, "the link between sex and character is a missing link in sex education."

In defense of this technocratic approach to sex education, the claim is often made that this approach is realistic. Realistic (so it is said) because it faces head-on the fact that teens are having sex anyway. Given this, we should provide them with the necessary knowledge (about the biology of reproduction and sexual development) and technical (contraceptive) skills to fend off harm.

Also, the claim is made that this approach respects the sexual freedom of teens, because it encourages their self-expression, by removing the chief obstacles to responsible sexual behavior, which are guilt and shame. In addition, this approach is morally neutral (it is said) in having teens discover for themselves their own moral values about sex, rather than those handed down by others.

These claims cannot be further from the truth, however. First, a weak relation exists between sexual knowledge and teenage behavior. Considerable evidence shows that the technocratic approach to sex education reduces neither the rate of sexually transmitted

diseases nor pregnancies among teens. Why are we surprised? We forget that teens, like all of us, don't always act on what they know. Most significant, teens are not taught the virtue of chastity. Chastity enables them to exercise self-mastery over their sexual desires and affections, taking possessions of their sexuality and learning that responsible and meaningful sexual love, total self-giving, is only realized in marriage. Thus, without the virtue of chastity we should not be surprised that their impulses get the better of them.

Second, the term "safe sex" is actually a misnomer given the rate of condom failure. Numerous studies show that the failure rate of condoms which resulted in unplanned pregnancies is 10 percent overall and 18 percent for women under 18.

Also, these statistics are about pregnancy rates and not the rate of effectiveness of condoms in preventing the spread of the AIDS virus. Bear in mind, unlike pregnancy, one can get this virus any day of the year. This virus is 410 times smaller than sperm, and that it is one-tenth to one-third the size of the smallest detectable hole (1 micron) in a condom. This adds up to the potentially life-threatening conclusion that you have better chance of getting the AIDS virus than getting pregnant when using condoms.

Third, it is profoundly wrong to think that teens in contemporary American society are unable to take responsible self-possession of their sexuality because of ignorance, guilt or shame. As Mrs. Whitehead rightly says, "The MTV generation may indeed have a distorted image of sex, but it has not been distorted by shame or repression." Quite the opposite. TV programs, pop music, movies, educators and others routinely expose teens to a philosophy of sex where the essential purpose of sex is pleasure, where how we use sex is a purely private matter and not really relevant to our character, and where all views and sexual choices are of equal moral value. In short, anything goes in sex.

This is hardly a neutral approach to sex education. It encourages sexual license by implying that sexual morality is a matter of choice — not choosing the right thing but simply choosing. But neither is it

sexually liberating. This philosophy turns sex against itself by depersonalizing it, making it recreational and an object of disordered self-love. This servile pursuit of pleasure is destructive to self and to others because it disorders a person's capacity for self-giving in love. It becomes a chief obstacle to sex's own fulfillment in the life-uniting, mutual self-giving love of marriage and the fruitfulness of this communion, in procreation.

One more thing — the contraceptive mentality is a leading cause of abortions. As Janet E. Smith of the University of

Dallas puts it, "no longer can we think that greater access to contraception will reduce the number of abortions. Rather, wherever contraception is more readily available the number of unwanted pregnancies and the number of abortions increases greatly."

Why? Quite simply, says Smith, "contraception leads to more extra-marital sexual intercourse; more extra-marital sexual intercourse leads to more unwanted pregnancies; more unwanted pregnancies lead to more abortions. Not many women intend to use abortions as a 'backup' to failed contraception, but it is undeniable that it is often so used." Even the 1992 Supreme Court decision *Casey vs. Planned Parenthood*, gave this as a reason for maintaining the legality of abortion.

Finally, there is considerable evidence to suggest that a morally based approach to sex education which does not separate responsible (read: moral, safe and free) sexual behavior from marriage. Procreation and child-bearing is a great source of freedom to teens. "They gain: freedom from early pregnancy and childbearing; freedom from sexually transmitted diseases, and AIDS; freedom from the trauma of abortion; freedom from anxiety over disappointing parents; freedom from regret, guilt, loss of self-esteem; freedom to develop control in making decisions; freedom to select a life partner based on love, knowledge, communication and friendship." (New York State Bishops' Pastoral Statement on Condom Distribution in Public Schools, September 1992) For these teens there is the inner peace and self-possession of mature chastity.

“All that is required in this technocratic approach to sex, in order to be counted as sexually ‘responsible,’ is a condom.”

Eduardo J. Echeverria, Ph. D. is an associate professor of philosophy at Conception Seminary College.

IT'S YOUR TURN

What is your opinion about the new welfare reform?



"I think it is a good idea because there are jobs available, and if not, there is always somewhere you can get educated, such as (in) a technical skill."

Scott Horsman, undecided major



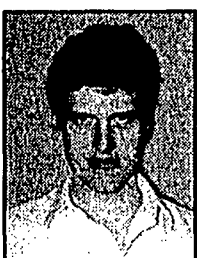
"I think this way the people on welfare won't be quite so dependent on our money. They'll know that they have to get themselves out there and look for a job because there will free money is coming to an end."

Gina Fisher, corporate recreation major



"I think it's a good idea. There's a lot who abuse it, but many need it and I don't want to do away with it."

Eileen Allen, computer management systems major



"This welfare law is a good idea, provided there is some sort of oversight and not administered blindly. I hope it will reduce the welfare rolls significantly, but it must not be allowed to degenerate as other programs have done. We need to insure accidental pregnancy is not the solution to continued welfare existence."

Jerry Veer, Food-4-Less store manager



"I think it's a good idea if it'll cut down the number of people on welfare and if they're able to regulate it."

Shelly Veer, Maryville resident

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PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

February 24

■ A Maryville female reported that two windows in her home had been broken out and it did not appear anyone had entered the house.

February 26

■ A local business reported that a male subject had illegally dumped trash in its dumpster.

■ Officers responded to the 200 block of Park Avenue on a complaint of peace disturbance. Upon arrival, loud music could be heard coming from the residence and contact was made with the occupant, Stephanie A. Derby, 22. She was issued a summons for permitting a peace disturbance on the premises.

■ Paul G. Bennett, Lenox, Iowa, was traveling east on U.S. Hwy 136 and stopped at a stop light waiting to make a turn. The light turned green and Bennett started to turn, but Nicole L. Porterfield, Maryville, who was westbound on U.S. Hwy 136, entered the intersection and struck Bennett. A citation was issued to Bennett for failure to yield.

February 27

■ A 15-year-old Maryville female was referred to the juvenile officer following an incident at a local business. Two packs of cigarettes and a bag of candy were taken without being paid for.

■ A Maryville male juvenile reported that he had been assaulted by another male juvenile. The case was referred to the juvenile officer.

■ Two local businesses reported that three male subjects had left the store

without paying for items. The three subjects were identified as juveniles. The case was referred to the juvenile officer.

February 28

■ A vehicle was stopped in the 1300 block of North Main Street. While running a check on the driver, Kevin S. Farrens, 33, Burlington Junction, the officer discovered an active warrant from the Municipal Court for failure to appear. He was arrested and later released after posting bond.

March 1

■ An officer responded to the 2500 block of East First after a request from State Patrol for assistance. Upon arrival, it was determined that a vehicle being driven by Michael Q. Watson, 21, Maryville, had been stopped for failure to stop at a posted stop sign. While talking with Watson, an odor of intoxicants was detected and he was asked to perform a field sobriety test, which he could not complete successfully. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated with his blood alcohol level testing over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for failure to stop at a posted stop sign and failure to use proper turn signals.

■ Officers responded to the 1100 block of North College Drive on a complaint of a peace disturbance. Contact was made with a Sara L. Vernon, 19, Maryville, who was issued a summons for minor in possession. During this time, contact was also made with Derek D. Clayton, 20, Holt, who was also issued a summons for minor in possession. The occupants were given a warning for peace disturbance, and the music was turned down.

■ Adam D. Riley, Hopkins, Tara L. Dailey and Jason D. Brown, both of Maryville, were all traveling south on Main Street. Dailey stopped in the middle of the street and was waiting to make a left turn when Riley struck Dailey. Brown, who could not stop in time, struck Riley. Citations were issued to Riley and Brown for careless and imprudent driving.

March 3

■ A local business reported that a male subject had rented a video and had failed to return it.

■ Fire units responded to a structure fire in the 900 block of East Seventh Street. Upon arrival flames were visible. The fire was contained to one room and extinguished. Smoke damage was reported and the cause of the fire is still under investigation.

■ Larry F. Bradshaw, 32, Maryville, was arrested on charges of assault-domestic violence, following an incident in the 900 block of East Second Street. He was released after posting bond.

■ Abbey N. Lade, Maryville, was traveling north on Main Street. She stopped at a posted stop sign and proceeded into the intersection. Lade was struck by Elizabeth A. Dean, Maryville, who was traveling east on South Avenue. A citation for failure to yield was issued to Lade.

■ Alice K. Starke, Maryville, was traveling south on Market Street and stopped at a posted stop sign. She proceeded into the intersection and was struck by Chad E. Conley, Maryville, who was traveling east on Edwards Street. A citation for failure to yield was issued to Starke.

CAMPUS SAFETY REPORTS

February 18

■ A vehicle was backing out of a parking space and was hit by another vehicle.

February 19

■ A peace disturbance was reported in Dieterich Hall. A student was summoned to the dean of students for threatening to do bodily harm to another.

February 21

■ A vehicle was stopped for running a stop sign. While talking with the driver, an odor of intoxicants was detected. The student was referred to the dean of students.

February 23

■ A student in Dieterich Hall was charged with damaging University property. The student was issued a summons from the Nodaway County circuit court and the dean of students.

The estimated cost of the damage was \$166.

February 24

■ A stop sign on College Avenue was taken. The replacement cost is \$75.

February 25

■ A vehicle struck three parked vehicles in the parking lot by Thompson Ringold.

■ A Do Not Enter sign was removed from the circle drive by the Union.

February 26

■ The theft of a laptop computer from Wells Hall was reported.

March 3

■ Campus Safety was called to a medical emergency in Hudson Hall. The individual was treated and transported to St. Francis Hospital.

OBITUARIES

Catherine Stuart

Catherine Stuart, 86, Gower, died Feb. 24 at the Gower Convalescent Center in Gower.

Survivors include her daughter, U.S. Rep. Pat Danner; four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Services were Feb. 26 at Richards Dale/West Oakwood Cemetery in Bevier.

Dorothy Beattie

Dorothy Mae Beattie, 73, Barnard, died Feb. 26 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She was born March 2, 1923, to James and Arizona Thomas in Tulsa, Okla.

Survivors include her husband, Tom; one daughter, Carol Carol; two stepsons, Basil and Larry; two sisters; one brother; one grandchild; two great-grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; three step-great-grandchildren and one nephew.

Services were March 1 at Johnson Funeral Home in Maryville.

STUDENT/FACULTY DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE

December 12

■ A male was charged with possession of marijuana. He was placed on strict campus conduct probation, not including Sections D-2 and D-4, until Dec. 31, must attend the After Hours program and fined \$100.

■ A male was found in violation of his second alcohol offense. He was placed on campus conduct probation,

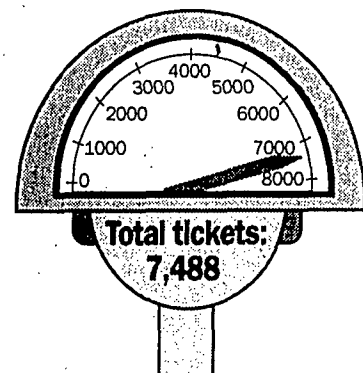
not including Section C, until May 16, 1998, and fined \$50.

■ A female was charged with theft. She was placed on campus conduct probation until May 17.

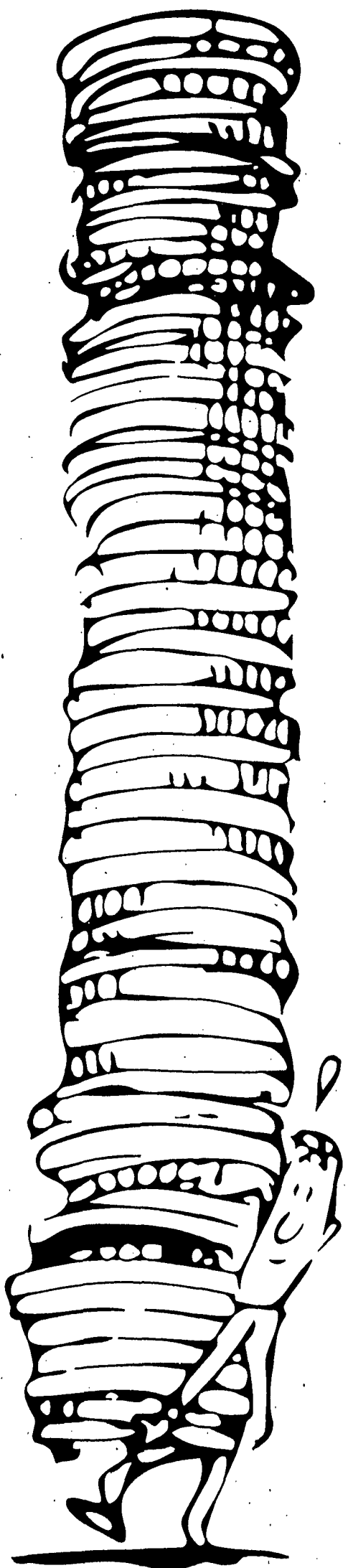
■ A female was charged with endangering the health/safety of another and disorderly conduct. She was placed on campus conduct probation until May 17, 1998, and fined \$25.

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Faculty Senate discuss future of EC97 program

by **Wendy Broker**
Chief Reporter

An issue that affects the entire student body and faculty was Faculty Senate's main focus Wednesday afternoon as EC97 graced the agenda.

Provost Tim Gilmour and Jon Rickman provided answers concerning the soon-to-be implemented system.

Questions about software, the hardware and the advantages of the program were addressed.

Rickman said the most important issue to the faculty should be the software, not hardware.

"We will be needing help from the faculty to define the best software sets for them," Rickman said.

Gilmour ended the discussion with the goal of the EC97 program.

"We are cautiously optimistic that within a year of the program's start, to have everyone (both student and faculty) back together on the same systems," Gilmour said.

A proposal for the Professional Development Pilot program was also discussed. It is a program that will help teachers and departments to enhance their efficiency.

Betty Bush, department chair of curriculum and instruction, brought

copies of the Professional Development Plan which details the department's goals and reasoning for EC97.

Bush also brought a document called Development Plan Instruments describing helpful methods in measuring the efficiency of teachers.

"The proposal will not force teachers to participate in the program, but merely offers an option to those who would like to," Bush said.

The restructuring of Senate's curriculum committee was also discussed. David Hancock, curriculum committee chairman, said the need for the changes are two-fold.

"First, it frees our committee members up, and second, it puts the responsibility to deal with certain issues back to the college or department directly involved," Hancock said. "This will also substantially reduce the amount of paper work involved with little decisions like changing a course name. It's a win-win situation for all of those involved."

A combined subcommittee consisting of the budget committee and faculty welfare committee members was created to address the issue of faculty salaries for the 1998 school year.

by **Scott Summers**
Chief Reporter

Concerns about the remnants of EC+, the new EC97 program and trimesters were addressed at an informational forum sponsored by Student Senate Wednesday night.

Tim Gilmour, provost; Jon Rickman, director of computing services; and Annette Weymuth, executive assistant to the president, answered questions from students about what will happen to students who purchased laptops for the now defunct EC+ program.

Responding to a student's concerns, Gilmour said the Board of Regents was thinking about the students when it initiated the program and it did not start the program just for grants.

"We do regret the situation EC+ students are in," Gilmour said. "The notebook program was a real effort and we do recognize that notebooks are still the way to go."

Gilmour said the reason the program is being dropped, despite the Board of Regents' agreement that it enhances learning, is to allow more students access to better technology.

"One of the things the Board was concerned with was the cost to the student," Gilmour said. "(With EC97) we are moving from serving around 350 students to serving about

3,000."

Students were able to express their displeasure that Northwest delivered a tremendous sales pitch for EC+ during freshmen orientation.

Gilmour said Northwest had geared itself for EC+, but things inevitably change and they never said the program would remain the same.

"This was an incredible opportunity," Gilmour said. "That is what we were selling."

Northwest will not abandon the students that already bought the laptops Gilmour said.

"We are trying as good as we can to make good on our commitment to those students," Gilmour said.

Rickman said Northwest will not quit in providing service to EC+ students and it intends to keep the sales and repair service.

The computers, which would be in every residence hall room by next fall, would have color screens, speakers, a CD-ROM and other features.

The new computers will be funded in part by the \$1 technology fee increase.

Trimesters was another program discussed at the forum.

Annette Weymuth, executive assistant to the president, said the summer of 1999 would be the earliest the program would start if implemented.

"I think the sky is the limit,"



Michelle Krambeck, Student Senate president, sits next to Jon Rickman, director of computing services during the Wednesday EC+ and EC97 meeting in Hudson Hall. The meeting was to discuss the future computer upgrades.
Jennifer Meyers/
Chief Photographer

Weymuth said. "But, we're not locked into anything yet."

The program's success will be determined on a variety of scales, but one outweighs all others.

"Success will be determined on if we can double the size of our summer school enrollment," Weymuth

said. The idea behind the trimesters' proposal is the opportunity for students to work at their own pace.

"The whole idea was that we offer something where if you want to finish faster, you can," Weymuth said.

Origami, anyone?



The fourth-graders at Horace Mann learned how to make origami cranes last Friday. Senior Yuki Osawa, finance major, spent the day teaching the students to make several paper sculptures. The children also learned to speak some Japanese.
Kelly Myers/Missourian Staff

GIESEKES

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in January 1996, said the Gieseke's contributions to the University have truly made a difference.

"Dave and Carol have made a tremendous impact on Northwest," Henry said. "They have, in their roles, made tremendous impacts toward the success of the University."

Henry is not the only one who thinks the Gieseke's have made an impact on the University. Many of their current co-workers say they will miss the couple because of their commitment to hard work.

Beth Wheeler, vice president for community relations, said Dave has done more with the office than just the standard.

"Because of his personal interests and talents and commitment to the University

has expanded way beyond, to include the encore, working with CAPs (Campus Activity Programmers), working with Homecoming, doing the web page as well as many of the traditional things," Wheeler said.

Dave Cathedral, who works in the public relations office, agrees with Wheeler and also said although Dave gives a lot to the University through his job, he also contributes with his attitude.

"Dave adds a lot to this University with his personality alone," Cathedral said. "That in itself is going to be hard to replace."

Dave isn't the only Gieseke who brings a vibrant personality with him into the office.

Sara Meyers, Carol's assistant in the publications office, said her boss is a very fun person to work with, and she has learned a lot from her in the few months

she has worked there.

"I think Carol is a really dynamic person," Meyers said. "She has some great ideas. I am sorry Northwest is losing her."

While Meyers is sad Northwest is losing Carol, she is also worried about how the publications office is going to change after she leaves.

"Of course when people leave things are going to be different," Meyers said. "I just don't know how things are going to be without her."

Meyers is unsure how the office is going to turn out, Henry said he is happy to see the Gieseke's moving on.

Henry said he was disappointed to see them leave, but he thinks they merit an advancement.

"I am sad to see them leave," Henry said. "But if it is a step up, it is certainly deserved."

Radio station to sponsor excursion to Minnesota

by **Jennifer Simler**
Missourian Staff

Want to go to Minnesota? Want to be a part of the live audience for the Garrison Keillor's "A Prairie Home Companion" show? If your answer is yes, you want to be a part of a fun-filled four days sponsored by KXCV-KRNW.

The trip is chartered by Heartland Express and starts May 1 through May 4. The excursion is open to anyone who would like to go.

Gayle Hull, membership and promotions director of KXCV-KRNW, will be escorting the tour, and taking attendants anywhere they wish to go in St. Paul, Minn.

"I just love to go," Hull said. "It's just fun. We have something fun every day, all the time. There is so much to do in St. Paul."

There will be numerous activities to partake in each day. The first day in St. Paul the group will attend Rodger and Hammerstein's "State Fair" production at the Chanhassen Dinner Theater, the largest professional inner theater complex in the nation.

The second day is a free day for the travelers. They will be able to visit many well-known places such as the Cathedral of St. Paul, the Gangster Tour, Shop the Skyway, the Mall of America and the Mississippi Riverboat cruises.

Hull will take them where ever they wish to go or they can travel on their own.

Ending the evening, dinner will be at the former residence of St. Paul's pioneer Joseph Forepaugh. The occasion will be semi-formal in Victorian-style dining rooms accompanied by French cuisine.

Back on a schedule for the third day, KXCV-KRNW will take the tour to the 65th Anniversary of the Festival of Nations and to Garrison Keillor's "A Prairie Home Companion" show.

The Festival of Nations will be pleasant for those all ages and all those in attendance. It will be presented by the International Institute

of Minnesota. In show will be 95 ethnic groups, 78 folk dance ensembles, 46 folk art demonstrations, 58 international bazaar booths and 60 cultural exhibits.

The Garrison Keillor's "A Prairie Home Companion" show is a musical comedy show that KXCV-KRNW airs live each Saturday from 5-7 p.m. and rebroadcasts Sunday from 3-5 p.m. This is one of the main reasons St. Paul was chosen as the city to visit.

"I like the dinner theater and Garrison Keillor's show, that is one of the main reasons I want to go," Betty Dye, residence life coordinator, said. "I've taken Heartland motor trips before and they are always pleasing, plus I don't like driving."

This trip was devised to be a four-day trip as a treat for those involved in the business world.

KXCV-KRNW previously had a number of one-day trips and one eight-day trip, but it was hard for those working to take the additional time off to attend the longer trips.

"The shorter trip was for a different target audience," Hull said. "There are some people that can't be gone eight days. We're hoping to attract some employed people that can't be gone that long."

There are multiple reasons trips such as these are sponsored by KXCV-KRNW. One reason is to create a way to reach listeners and potential listeners. Another reason is to offset the reduced amount of federal dollars KXCV-KRNW is receiving.

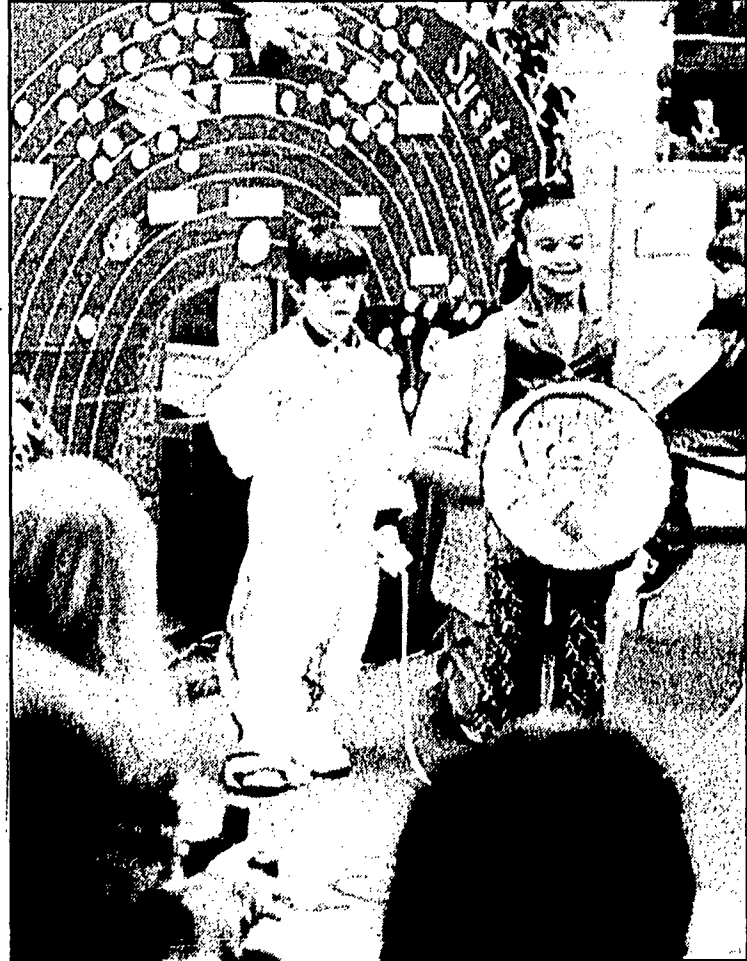
"We want to coordinate tours with the lifestyles of the listeners," Sharon Bonnett, KXCV-KRNW station manager, said. "Instead of stopping at McDonald's we stop at places like tea rooms, progressive dinners at Victorian diners. It's all gourmet type of dining."

As of Monday, there were still spots available to go on the trip. Anyone is welcome to go and there is plenty of entertainment to keep busy. For information about the trip call Gayle Hull or tune in to KXCV-KRNW at 90.5 or 88.9 on the FM dial.

"We have some fun every day, all the time. There is so much to do in St. Paul."

Gayle Hull, membership and promotions director of KXCV-KRNW

Kids in space



JoAnn Marlon's first-graders put on a play about space exploration Wednesday at the Horace Mann Lab School on campus. The students just finished a unit on the solar system.
Kelly Myers/Missourian Staff

IN BRIEF

Music department to offer performance free to public

Northwest's Wind Symphony and University Tower Choir will present the Missouri premier performance of "The Easter Symphony," by David Holsinger at 3 p.m., Sunday, March 16, in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

The public is invited to attend, and admission is free.

Annual Northwest event open to walkers of all ages

The University Be Well Committee is sponsoring the annual 'Cat Walk'. The walk will take place at 9 a.m. on March 18 at Bearcat Arena. Faculty, staff, students and their families are invited to participate.

The walk is free, however, those who preregistered and paid a \$2 fee will receive a T-shirt the morning of the walk.

Anxiety seminar available for students free of charge

A free anxiety disorders screening program including an educational presentation, video and anonymous screening questionnaire is coming to Northwest. The questionnaire will be reviewed by a doctor of mental health professional.

The free program will be from 10 p.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., March 10 in the University Club North.

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than any other academic major," Hagan said. "It provides students with a truly global perspective."

Hagan's students are reassured by his knowledge and excitement about the field, according to Neal Young, a junior geography major.

"Dr. Hagan is always willing to take time and talk about jobs available to me in geography and explains to me my options after I leave Northwest," Young said.

Hagan's daily goal to communicate with his students effectively is also reflected in his lectures.

"I never use notes; before I go to class I mentally outline what I want to talk about," he said. "I like to use eye contact, it's important to me that they understand the information I'm giving them. I don't like my class to be a mystery, there is nothing to be gained by that."

Students who work hard and strive for the best are something he looks for.

"I appreciate students who are committed to doing their best, it takes an enormous amount of self discipline to maintain that consistency through four years of undergraduate education," he said.

Hagan's interest in students is not limited to their time at Northwest.

"I am trying to keep up with alumni and surveying about 500 right now," Hagan said. "We're trying to



Geography professor Don Hagan lectures to a class Wednesday. Hagan makes his lectures interesting by throwing in humorous anecdotes and life experiences.
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create an alumni database to use them as a yardstick to determine if we are doing what we should be doing. I want every advisee to be successful and intensely prepared for a highly competitive marketplace."

Hagan chaired the department from 1981-1989 and sees some need for improvement at Northwest.

"I have frustrations at times," Hagan said. "My most frustrating issues have been that I'm not sure that I have successfully conveyed to administrators how effective and important it is for faculty to be involved in off-campus recruitment."

Hagan believes enthusiasm from faculty lets prospective students know you care.

"I've done a lot of off-campus recruitment, it takes a lot of enthusiasm, you have to know information

about the University and how to sell it," he said. "But more than that you have to convey to them your excitement about the school you're at and if they know you're really sincere, they'll follow you."

Students being comfortable with their advisors is important to Hagan. "I want students to feel they come to me about anything because I really care about their welfare," he said. "I may joke a lot, but I'm very serious about their future and would do anything for them."

The rewards of teaching for Hagan are as simple as an expression.

"Seeing the light in students eyes when they learn something new and interesting to them that they've never known before," he said. "And knowing that I've helped to broaden their perspectives."

Home and garden show to highlight businesses

by Toru Yamauchi
Missourian Staff

After a hiatus of several years, the Home and Garden Show will take place this weekend in the Maryville High School gymnasium.

Twenty-eight businesses, showing items as diverse as fencing and furniture, will participate in the show.

The show is 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free.

While some businesses will sell their products, others such as Eagan's Home Furnishings, will display their products.

"We'll still sell some things," Roy Eagan, Eagan's Home Furnishings owner, said. "But we are mainly there to advertise."

The Maryville Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the event. Judy Brohammer, executive director of the Chamber, decided to revive the show to promote local businesses.

"(The Home and Garden Show) is the service we are doing for our members," Brohammer said. "(The purpose is) to let our members showcase their businesses."

Rick Longnecker, Western Auto owner, and Tim Spire, Myers Pro Flooring Center owner, are the co-chairs for the event.

Longnecker said the show was first opened

to Chamber members, and it was expanded to include others as well, because the event is a fundraising program for the Chamber.

Although participants have to pay the dues to the Chamber, some businesses are supportive of the fee.

"I can understand paying the fee," Eagan said. "It will go toward a good cause."

The amount of dues each exhibitor pays depends on the space each business reserves.

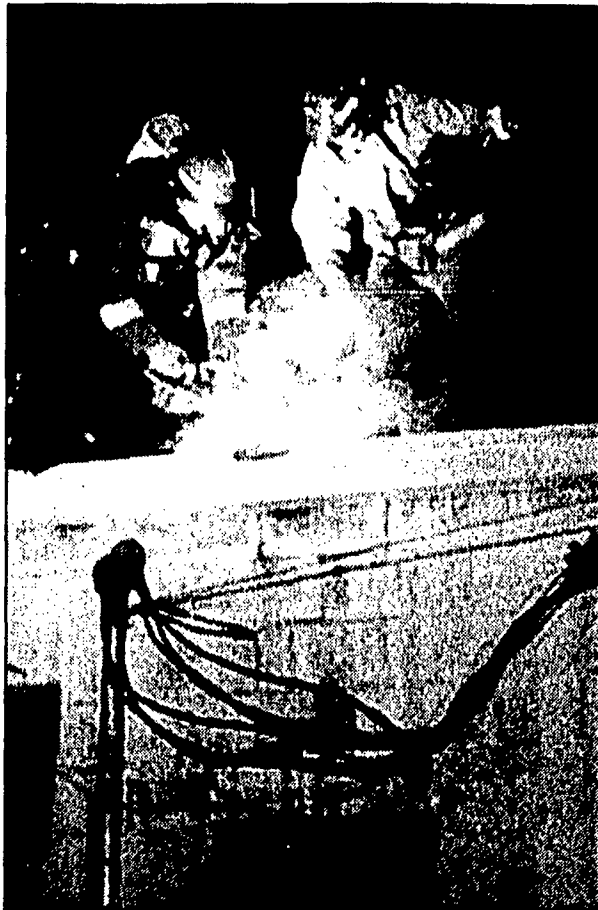
Eagan paid \$200 and said the price would prove to be either expensive or cheap, depending on how many people stop by the show.

Not only private businesses, but also eight other organizations such as the Humane Society and Community Blood Center will participate in the show. The Maryville Swing Choir will also perform Saturday afternoon.

The show's success may lead to the Home and Garden Show becoming an annual event. Brohammer said the Chamber would like to sponsor the show again next year, and Longnecker is positively considering it.

"We're hoping for this to be an annual event," Longnecker said. "The high school has been gracious enough to allow us to use their gymnasium."

Members of the Delta Chi fraternity are helping Chamber members set up for the show.



Greg Dalrymple/Photography Director
Fire fighters use a chainsaw to cut a hole into the roof of the Ingels Mobile Homes so they can spray water into the building.

Fire damages structure of Ingels Mobile Homes

Incident sparks citywide investigation into origin of Monday's business blaze

by Ruby Dittmer
Community News Editor

A building owned by the Jerry Ingels family of Maryville caught fire Monday.

Fire fighters were able to get the blaze completely under control in a half hour.

Keith Wood, director of Maryville Public Safety said heat spread throughout the building.

When officials arrived they had to secure the outer edges of the fire so that it would not spread to other parts of the building.

Officials spent one hour looking for hot spots in the building and making sure the fire was exhausted.

Wood said the fire at 907 E. Seventh Street was reported to Maryville Public Safety at 7:29 p.m. and the first officers on the scene encountered heavy smoke and flames.

The fire was contained to the southeast corner of the building near

a set of stairs in a small corner apartment.

Wood said the apartment was used by mobile home representatives who were in town, and was used mostly for sleeping.

The apartment was completely destroyed.

Ingels, owner of the building, was out of town when the fire started.

Lt. Phil Rickabaugh said they are not sure yet sure as to what caused the fire and has been ruled accidental.

"At this point it is an accidental fire with an undetermined origin," Rickabaugh said.

Rickabaugh estimated the damages at \$10,000 but said Ingels does not have insurance on the building.

The west side of the building was not affected by the fire, and there were no heat or water damages in this area of the building.

Wal-Mart of Maryville had products stored in this area which did not receive damage when the incident occurred.

There were no injuries reported with the fire.

IN BRIEF

Workshop will educate newly elected officials

A workshop for newly elected officials in Northwest Missouri will be from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. April 24 in the Country Kitchen banquet room.

The free workshop, "Newly Elected Officials," is coordinated by the Northwest Missouri Regional Council of Governments. The Missouri Municipal League will conduct the event, which will cover a wide variety of topics: Classification and forms of municipal government, powers of mayors and governing bodies, ethical issues, municipal revenue sources, municipal officials' role in the state legislative process, council procedures, open meeting and record laws and various other topics.

People interested in attending should contact the Regional Council by April 16 by calling 582-5121.

Hospital plans breakfast to celebrate Palm Sunday

The St. Francis Hospital Foundation is sponsoring a Palm Sunday brunch from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. March 23 at the St. Francis Hospital &

Health Services Bread Basket Cafeteria.

Tickets are \$9 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. They are available at Bank Midwest, First Bank, Mercantile Bank, Cameron Savings and Loan, St. Francis Hospital & Health Services or from any foundation board member.

Proceeds will benefit the unrestricted fund for the greatest area of need. Approximately 280 attended the Palm Sunday Brunch in 1996 and a goal of 300 in attendance has been set for this year's event.

Group will perform drama at St. Gregory's Church

"Stations," a musical drama based on the stations of the cross, will be presented at 8 p.m. Saturday at St. Gregory's Church.

Written by Fr. Robert Murphy and Paul Novosel, the drama is performed by a cast of actors and singers.

The play is based on the ancient Roman Catholic ritual of the stations of the cross, in which events of the passion and death of Christ are adapted to modern day characters.

A free-will soup supper will be at 7 p.m. before the performance.



Court Watch

■ Roger Burson appeared before the court on a probation violation. Burson admitted the violation, and the court ordered his probation revoked and executed a five-year sentence to the penitentiary. Burson was on probation for a charge of driving while intoxicated.

■ John R. Gross Jr. entered a plea of guilty to his third offense of driving while intoxicated. The judge ordered a presentence investigation and rescheduled sentencing to March 24.

■ Robert M. Peterson appeared on a motion to revoke his probation. The judge found he was in violation of his probation and ordered his probation be revoked and that a penitentiary sentence be executed.

■ Jason Lent, who was previously on probation, was found to have violated it by driving without a license. The courts continued his probation with the condition that he serve five days in jail.

■ Heather Vinzant admitted a violation of probation by failure to

pay all her court costs. The court continued her probation with new conditions. Vinzant must complete 40 hours of public service by May 24 and pay all court costs by May 1.

■ Channel J. Anderson pleaded guilty to two counts of felony forgery of checks and two counts of misdemeanor passing bad checks. On each of the felony counts, she received five years in the state penitentiary. The court suspended the sentence and placed her on five years probation. For the misdemeanor counts, Anderson was ordered to serve 30 days in jail and make restitution on all checks and pay all costs including court costs.

■ Mickel Farnsworth was found in violation of his probation. The judge ordered his probation revoked, and Farnsworth was ordered to serve five years in the state penitentiary.

■ Important Days in Nodaway County Criminal Court:
March 10, Criminal law day.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Friday, March 7

9:45 a.m. Exercise Program, Nodaway County Senior Center.

Saturday, March 8

9 a.m. Overeaters Anonymous, St. Francis Hospital.

8 p.m. "Stations," a musical drama based on the stations of the cross, will be presented at St. Gregory's Catholic Church. A free will soup supper will take place at 7 p.m.

8 p.m. Levis & Lace Square Dance, Maryville High School gym.

Sunday, March 9

5 p.m. Former Miss America Debbie Turner will speak at the Charles Johnson Theater, sponsored by the Laura Street Baptist Church.

7 p.m. Annual concert of brass and bells, Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

Monday, March 10

7 p.m. RTNDA Public Forum, University Conference Center. The forum will focus on the Maryville R-II Bond Issue. Panelists include Rego Jones, School Board president. The public is invited to attend.

Washington Middle School Futures Night, at the school.

Thursday, March 13

9 a.m. Retired Teachers Association Meeting, Nodaway County Se-

nior Center. All retired educators and spouses are welcome.

Friday, March 14

5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, St. Gregory's parish hall.

Sunday, March 16

4 p.m. to 7 p.m. St. Patrick's Day dinner, St. Gregory's Church Hall. Dinner is sponsored by the faculty and staff of St. Gregory's school.

Monday, March 17

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Northwest blood drive, Union Ballroom. Call 562-1218 to make an appointment.

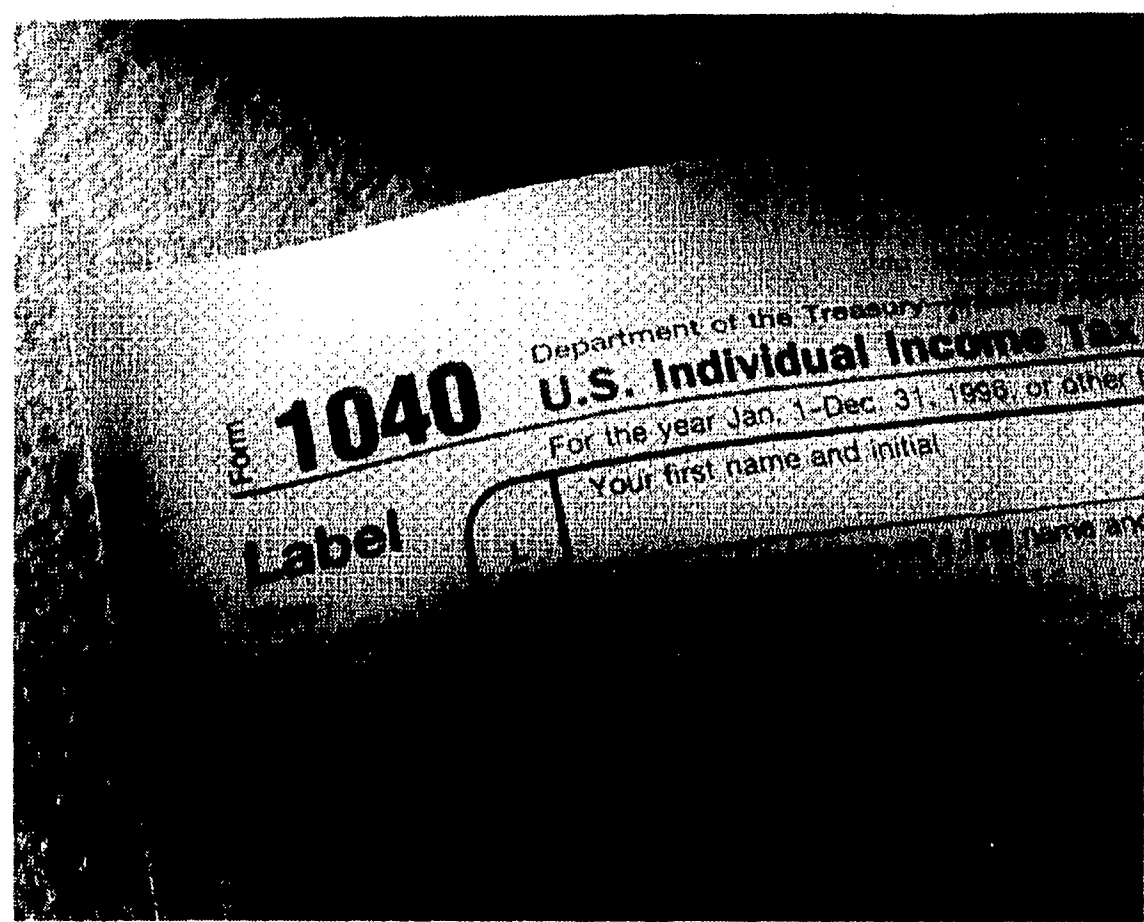
4 p.m. The Maryville 10th-annual World's Shortest St. Patrick's Day Parade. For more information call 562-9965.

Sunday, March 23

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. St. Francis Hospital Foundation Palm Sunday Brunch, St. Francis Bread Basket Cafeteria. Tickets \$9 for adults, \$5 children 12 and younger. They are available at area banks.

To have an event placed in the community calendar call Ruby at Dittmer at 562-1224, or mail events to "Calendar," c/o Northwest Missourian, Wells Hall, 800 University Drive, Maryville, Mo., 64468.

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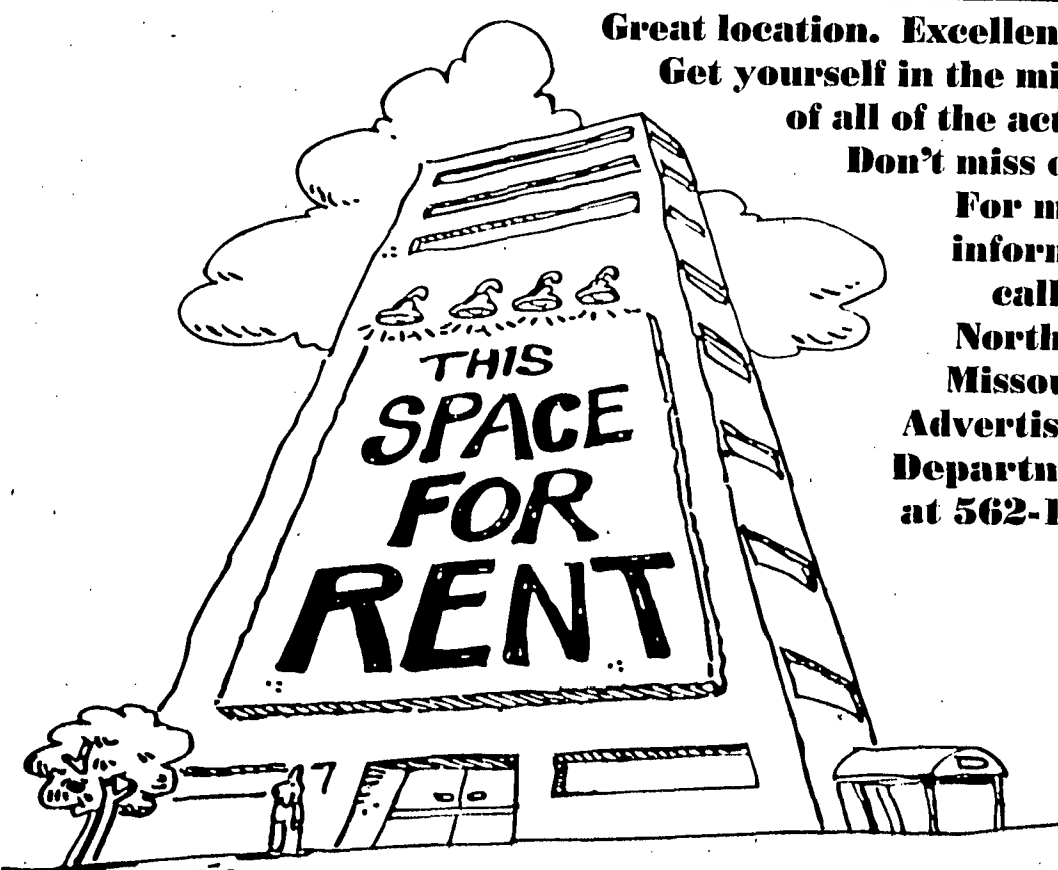
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'Cats race to nationals

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Although the season is over for the indoor track teams, six athletes will make their way to the national meet in Indianapolis Friday to represent Northwest.

Five women and one man qualified for the NCAA Division II Indoor Track and Field National Championships.

Junior Julie Humphreys, from Odell, Neb., is ranked third in the weight throw and holds the Northwest record. This is not the first time Humphreys, an all-American, has made the trip to nationals. She competed in the discus in the outdoor championship last year.

However, placing is not the most important aspect to Humphreys.

"I really don't care where I place, I just want to improve," she said. "Each meet I gain more confidence; I just step in the ring, rely on the past and hope it carries me to nationals. I still get nervous, but that helps and gives me confidence as well."

Having her teammates at the meet will help boost her confidence as well.

"It will be nice to have familiar voices there," she said. "It will make (the trip) more fun. The support will be nice and being able to root them on will be good, too."

Humphreys views this event in the same light as a normal meet.

"I just look at nationals as a regular meet," she said. "I have nothing to lose and nothing to worry about."

Junior Leslie Dickherber, from Mexico, Mo., competed at the outdoor national championships last year in the shot put. Dickherber is currently ranked 12th in the event. Her goal is a little different than Humphreys' in that where she finishes is important.

"I want to bring home some hardware this year," Dickherber said. "My goal is to be an all-American."

There is less pressure now that she's making the trip to Indianapolis.

"To get to nationals is one thing,

since the standards are so high," she said. "Once you are there, it is quite another. Last year, it wasn't a big deal for me, but this year it's exciting. There's a different atmosphere about it; I'm more determined."

Several factors helped her prepare for this meet, Dickherber said.

"Team support, practice and determination have prepared me," she said. "I am excited about having more than one person with me this year. Having people there to talk to you and focus you is a real confidence booster."

Dickherber said nationals will be smooth sailing.

"You don't have to worry about anything but challenging yourself," she said. "The most competition comes from you. If you happen to beat other people, that's all the better."

Junior Brandy Haan, from Maysville, is currently ranked 12th in the nation, and she is new at the whole national picture, but Coach Ron DeShon is confident that she can perform at that level.

"Brandy does not have a lot of experience, but she has a lot of talent," DeShon said.

Haan is going to nationals in the 55-meter dash, an event in which she holds the Northwest record.

Sophomore Jaschelle Sasser, from Kansas City, returns to nationals after a



Julie Humphreys continues her weight throw preparation for the national meet this weekend in Indianapolis.

year off in the high jump and the triple jump, in which she is ranked sixth and third respectively. In 1995, Sasser was the national runner-up in the high jump as well as an all-American.

Sasser said there will be a lot of pressure on her at nationals.

prepared her for this meet.

"I think I have an advantage because I performed in Division I," she said. "I've seen it all and been under all that pressure. But each meet is different, it's all about competing."

The sole participant for the men is

junior Chad Sutton, from Griffith, Ind. Sutton will make an appearance at nationals in the high jump again this year, ranked 11th.

Coach Rich Alsop said this may take some of the edge off of the competition.

"Chad went last year," Alsop said. "That should take the anxiety away. He has been pretty consistent, but at a meet like nationals you never know. He could place, or have a bad day."

Sutton has the same confidence his coach has concerning his abilities.

"If I have a good day, I can compete for the championship," he said. "You can't have your best day every day. That's what it would take to win it, but I don't think it is out of my reach."

Sutton aims to place high and to perform to his ability.

"My goal is to go there and place in the top six," he said. "I think the hardest part is already over with. Now I just have to do what I am capable of and hopefully do well."

After last year's performance, Sutton looks to improve his finish.

"I'm disappointed in how I did last year," he said. "I just remind myself that it doesn't matter what I've done before, it matters what I do now. And this year it's in my home state, so my family and friends will be there to cheer me on."

Sutton is a junior, yet he realizes this may be his last chance at nationals.

"Anything can happen next year," he said. "I could get hurt or something and never be able to do it again or have the opportunity to go to nationals, so I must do my best this year."

"I want to bring home some hardware this year. My goal is to be an all-American."

Leslie Dickherber, junior thrower



Jaschelle Sasser works out Tuesday to prepare for her trip to nationals.

Indoor teams wrap up regular season

The season ended for the indoor track teams except for a few individuals on Friday at the Cyclone National Qualifier at Iowa State University.

The meet gave members a final chance to qualify for nationals or to improve their present time or distance.

Senior Heidi Metz improved her time in the mile, but it was not quite enough to make the national cut. Metz was 13th in the nation and only the top 12 advanced to nationals.

Junior Carrie Sindelar also turned in her best time of the indoor season, without advancing.

Ron DeShon, head women's coach, said Sindelar performed well this season despite a foot injury.

"Carrie gave all she had at conference," DeShon said. "Sometimes, if you are healthy you can come back off a good meet and do just as well. In Carrie's case, she is a good athlete, just not healthy enough to come back strong."

Juniors Kathy Kearns and Sarah Kriz and freshman Jill Eppenbaugh also competed well at the meet despite not advancing to nationals.

DeShon said these women will be missed at nationals.

"Those girls represent points that are being left at home," DeShon said. "They are looking for a good outdoor season and to better their indoor season performances."

Junior Misty Campbell gave her

all at the meet, DeShon said.

"Misty rebounded back with a huge effort against good competition," he said. "She placed third in the high jump to a couple of Division I girls. It may have been this weekend that made the difference in her getting into the national meet."

Junior Brandy Haan also finished third for the 'Cats at the Cyclone Classic in the 55-meter dash.

DeShon said the team is focusing on the outdoor season and achieving the "impossible" of the triple crown.

Some of the Bearcat men traveled with the women to Iowa State, but none of them reached a national qualifying time or distance.

Freshman Aaron Becker placed

eighth in the shot put with a throw of 53 feet 2 inches.

The throw was good but not enough to place him into the top eight nationally, Rich Alsop, head men's coach, said.

The top eight earned a place in the national meet; Becker finished 10th in the nation, just missing the mark. Freshmen Bryan Thornburg and Matt Johnson also ran well.

Junior Jimmy Jeffrey finished seventh in the 200-meter dash. Junior Jason Yoo was in much the same position, running well, but he did not place.

The NCAA Division II meet will take place this weekend in Indianapolis.



Brandy Haan practices her sprints during Tuesday's workout. Haan will run in the 55-meter dash.

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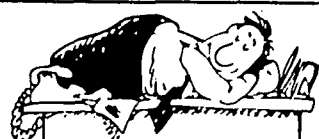
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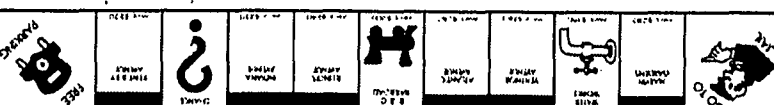
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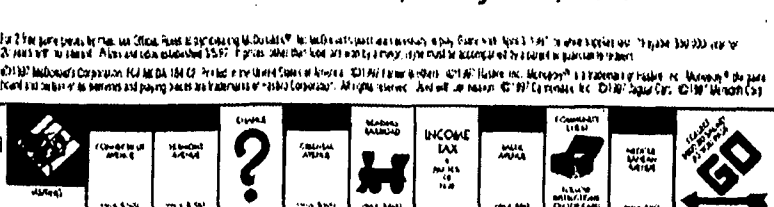
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Chillicothe ends 'Hounds' season

Boys' basketball team suffers loss in district title game Friday, 53-36, caps season winning 14 of final 17

by Scott Summers
Chief Reporter

There was no miracle comeback for the Maryville Spoofhounds Friday night against their nemesis this season, the Chillicothe Hornets.

The Hornets pounded the 'Hounds 53-36 in the Missouri 3A District Championship game, and Maryville ended the year with a 20-8 overall record. The 'Hounds went 5-3 in the Midland Empire Conference.

The Hornets established an early lead in the game, and the Spoofhounds were never able to overcome the Chillicothe lead.

Maryville trailed 8-0 at the end of the first quarter, but the Spoofhounds' stiff defense gave the team a glimmer of hope for another comeback, just as Maryville accomplished in its win over Cameron two night earlier.

Head coach Mike Kuwitzky said Maryville's offensive problems illustrated how well the Hornets played on the defensive end of the floor.

"Chillicothe's defense is really good," Kuwitzky said. "They make it hard on any offense, and you're not going to get a lot of points off them."

The 'Hounds exchanged baskets with Chillicothe in the second quarter but still trailed 18-11 at the half.

Junior Grant Sutton said the Spoofhounds were still effective defensively but just could not find the basket on the other end of the court.

"When you don't score in the first quarter of the game, it makes it hard to get back in the game," Sutton said. "We just couldn't score."

The Hornets' lead never dipped below 10 points in the fourth quarter and the 'Hounds dropped their third-straight game to the Chillicothe this year.

Kuwitzky said his team did not play bad; Chillicothe is just a difficult team to play.

"It was a really good ballgame," Kuwitzky said.



Junior center Adam Weldon drives the baseline on Chillicothe's Justin Bland during Friday night's District 16 championship game at

Cameron. The loss ended the Spoofhounds' season with a 20-8 overall record. The 'Hounds were 0-3 against the Hornets.

"Chillicothe is a great team. They've got it all. They have size, speed, quickness, shooting — everything."

Junior Tylor Hardy led Maryville and was the only player to reach double figures for the 'Hounds, scoring 11 points for the game.

Maryville's overall record was an achievement, especially considering the team stumbled at the beginning of the season going 6-5 in its first 11 games.

"The team had a great season," Kuwitzky said. "They should know they can hold their heads high. We were a young team, and we had a great year to build on. We're going to have a positive future."

Sutton, as well as Kuwitzky, was proud of the team's 14-3 run to finish the season and hopes for better things next year.

"I think we won a lot more games than people thought we would," Sutton said. "Next year will be exciting. We should win a lot of games."

Chris Gelnosky/Community Sports Editor

Swimmers compete at Junior Olympics

Five Polar Bears return from Division II meet at Kansas City school

by Chris Gelnosky
Community Sports Editor

The Northwest Polar Bears roared into Central High School in Kansas City to compete in the Missouri Valley Midwestern Division II Junior Olympics last weekend.

The team is comprised of only five swimmers, but head coach Chad Holmes said he was very impressed with the team's performance at the meet, in which about 100 athletes competed in each event.

"I'm so amazed how well they did," Holmes said. "I've been coaching for two years now, and this is the hardest working group of kids I've coached."

Traci Harr was the lone Polar Bear to qualify for the next step, the Division I meet in Wichita, Kan., this weekend, but Holmes said all swimmers performed well.

Harr competed in the 50-meter freestyle, backstroke and butterfly and the 100-meter freestyle in the 9- and 10-year-old division.

She set personal bests in all four of the races, but the 50-meter butterfly was her qualifying finish. Harr placed 10th at the meet, finishing the race in 40.20 seconds

which was four seconds faster than her best time all year.

Even though Harr can advance to the next meet, Holmes said they will not make the trip because it is a long way to go to compete in one race.

Michelle Fink, the Bears' other 9- and 10-year-old swimmer, competed in the 50-meter freestyle, backstroke and butterfly and 100-meter freestyle. Fink's top finish was 23rd in the 50-meter butterfly, but she also set personal bests in her four events.

In the girls' 11- and 12-year-old division, Megan Weiss competed in the 50-meter freestyle, 100-meter backstroke and the 200-meter freestyle, which was her best finish of the weekend at 32nd place.

Brandon Fannon swam the 50-meter freestyle, 100-meter freestyle and 100-meter breaststroke in the boys' 11- and 12-year-old division. Fannon placed 16th or better in all three of the events with a top finish of 12th in the 100-meter breaststroke.

Holmes said he was happy with the effort and said the swimmers have a lot to look forward to.

"I am extremely proud of the team," Holmes said. "They work hard in practice for the full two hours, and how you practice is how you will perform. They all have very promising futures."

From the BackRow



Chris Gelnosky

how the tournament field will be selected this Sunday. Thirty teams can

claim automatic bids by winning their conference championship, and the remaining 34 slots are at-large bids.

This year, 21 of the NCAA-Division I conferences will only receive one bid. That means the other 43 invitations will be handed out to teams in the country's nine largest conferences: The Atlantic Coast, Atlantic 10, Big East, Big 10, Big 12, Conference USA, Pacific Coast, Southeastern and Western Athletic.

After adding the teams that have a lock on a bid, I figure about 30, there are only 13 open slots left.

The ACC looks to be this year's big winner. The conference has five locks in Wake Forest, Clemson, Maryland, North Carolina and Duke. Virginia and Florida State may have the opportunity to sneak in.

A 7-9 ACC record should be good enough to get the Cavaliers in, and Florida State knocked off Maryland, Carolina, Clemson and Wake Forest. The Atlantic 10 will probably only get four bids. Xavier and St. Joseph's are in, leaving UMass, Temple and Rhode Island. UMass and Temple will get in based on the strength of

their schedules. Sorry Rams.

Even though it has been a weaker conference this year, the Big East will get five teams in. 'Nova and BC are in along with streaking Georgetown, West Virginia and Providence.

In the Big 10, Minnesota, Illinois, Indiana and Iowa have nothing to worry about, leaving Michigan, Wisconsin and Purdue. The Boilermakers will probably get in, but the Wolverines and Badgers might be out of luck with end of the year losses.

The Big 12 should do well in its debut. Of course Kansas, Colorado,

Iowa State and Texas are in. Texas Tech should get in, and Oklahoma should receive an invitation with a win in the Big 12 Tournament.

In Conference USA, Marquette has a couple good wins, but a loss to the University of Maine two weeks ago could have been a killer. Memphis and UNC-Charlotte could be others to be left out.

Probably only four will go from the WAC. Utah, New Mexico and Tulsa are in, which leaves one bid between Hawaii, Fresno State, UNLV and Colorado State. Fresno

has a win over UMass and two over Hawaii, so look for "Tark" to be back.

Then there's the Pac 10. UCLA, Arizona and Stanford are in the field of 64, but that might be it this year. California and USC are on the bubble, but it may burst right in their faces Sunday. The Bears lost their leading scorer, 25 points a game, in Ed Gray last week, and the Trojans had few quality wins this season.

But who am I to decide who will go? You're right, but we'll see.

Chris Gelnosky is the community sports editor for the Northwest Missourian.

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Thursday, March 13

9-3 in the Regent's Room

Basketball

Baseball

Men's Division I AP Poll

	Rec.	Pts.	Pvs.
1. Kansas (69)	29-1	1773	2
2. Minnesota (2)	26-2	1706	2
3. Utah	23-3	1577	4
4. South Carolina	23-6	1564	6
5. North Carolina	21-6	1466	8
6. Kentucky	27-4	1453	3
7. Duke	23-7	1297	7
8. Wake Forest	22-5	1265	5
9. UCLA	19-7	1243	10
10. Cincinnati	24-6	1039	9
11. Xavier	22-4	1018	14
12. Arizona	19-7	927	15
13. Clemson	21-8	898	12
14. New Mexico	22-6	883	11
15. Illinois	20-8	607	21
16. Iowa State	19-7	606	13
17. Charleston	28-2	544	20
18. Colorado	21-8	490	19
19. St. Joseph's	21-6	481	23
20. Louisville	22-7	456	17
21. Villanova	21-8	437	18
22. Maryland	20-9	357	25
23. Stanford	18-7	204	16
24. Georgia	21-7	139	—
25. Indiana	21-9	134	22

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Big 12 Final Standings

Conference				Overall			
	W	L		W	L		
NORTH							
Kansas	15	1		29	1		
Colorado	11	5		21	8		
Iowa St.	10	6		19	7		
Nebraska	7	9		16	13		
Missouri	5	11		13	16		
Kansas St.	3	13		10	16		
SOUTH							
Texas	10	6		16	10		
Texas Tech	10	6		18	8		
Oklahoma	9	7		17	9		
Oklahoma St.	7	9		15	13		
Baylor	6	10		18	11		
Texas A&M	3	13		9	17		

Big 12 Tournament

Men's Basketball
Thursday's Schedule
GM 1 — (9) Baylor vs. (8) Oklahoma St.
GM 2 — (12) K-State vs. (5) Texas Tech
GM 3 — (10) Missouri vs. (7) Nebraska
GM 4 — (11) Texas A&M vs. (6) Oklahoma
Friday's Schedule
GM 5 — GM 1 winner vs. (1) Kansas
GM 6 — GM 2 winner vs. (4) Iowa St.
GM 7 — GM 3 winner vs. (2) Texas
GM 8 — GM 4 winner vs. (3) Colorado
Saturday's Schedule
GM 9 — GM 5 winner vs. GM 6 winner
GM 10 — GM 7 winner vs. GM 8 winner
Sunday's Schedule
CHAMPIONSHIP GAME, 1 p.m.

Northwest

First Game March 3

	ab	r	h	rbt	bb	so	po	a
Porter cf	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
Soderstrom rf	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Abbott dh	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Hearn 1b	3	0	0	0	0	1	8	0
Sterling c	3	0	1	0	0	0	6	2
Lashley lf	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Beasley 3b	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Bratlien ss	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	4
Smith 2b	2	0	0	0	0	1	3	4
Sartino 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cartney p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Symington p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Crain p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals	22	1	5	1	1	8	21	12

Wayne St. 020 010 0 — 3
Northwest 001 000 0 — 1

Errors — Driever (3), Sterling (2), DP — NW 2, LOB — WSU 8, NW 6, 2B — None, 3B — Soderstrom (1), HR — None, SB — Bealle (1), SH — Lashley (1).

Second Game March 3

	ab	r	h	rbt	bb	so	po	a
Soderstrom rf	3	0	0	0	0	2	1	0
Sartino dh	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lashley lf	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Hearn 1b	2	0	0	0	1	1	3	1
Bratlien ss	3	0	1	0	0	1	14	0
Porter cf	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Abbott dh	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Beasley 3b	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Bratlien ss	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	6
Smith 2b	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	3
Gutkowski p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals	22	0	4	0	1	8	21	13

Wayne St. 100 000 0 — 1
Northwest 000 000 0 — 0

Errors — None, DP — None, LOB — WSU 5, NW 5, 2B — Beasley (1), 3B — VanderWilt (1), HR — None, SB — Driever (2), Porter, SH — Bratlien (2).

Wayne St.

Wayne St. 100 000 0 — 1
Northwest 000 000 0 — 0

Umpires — Wilcot, Edgar, HBP — Gutkowski (Bealle), Time — 1:45. Attendance — 30.

Missouri Western at Northwest

March 4

	ab	r	h	rbt	bb	so	po	a
Porter cf	3	1	1	2	1	1	1	0
Lashley lf	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Crain lf	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Abbott dh	4	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Sortino dh	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Sterling c	4	1	2	0	2	1	11	7
Hearn 1b	6	3	3	3	0	0	0	0
Beasley 3b	5	2	1	0	0	2	0	2
Soderstrom rf	4	0	1	1	0	0	2	2
Bratlien ss	3	0	2	1	0	0	0	2
Smith 2b	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hollister p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Peterson p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2

Totals 39 13 11 11 5 5 27 12

Missouri Western 220 020 820 — 16
Northwest 120 142 111 — 13

Errors — Martinez (3), Strauser (3), Grodzidler (1), Olson (1), Wilhelm (1), Orr (1), Sterling (4), Hearn (1), Bratlien (2), Hollister (4), DP — MWSC 1, LOB — MWSC 11, NW 12, 2B — Martinez (3), Strauser (2), Stuver (2), King (2), Hearn (2), Soderstrom (2), Bratlien (2), HR — Hearn (1), SB — Wright (1), Strauser (1), Sivertson (1), Lashley (2), Sortino (2), Hearn (1), Soderstrom (2), SH — Porter (1).

Givin' it a rip



Greg Dalrymple/Photography Director

Northwest sophomore Iva Kutlova returns a shot in Friday's match with Division I opponent Southwest Missouri State University. Kutlova teamed up with Yasmine Osborn in the doubles portion of the competition.

MIAA Schedule

Thursday's games
Central Methodist (Mo.) @ Lincoln
Bemidji (Minn.) State @ Pittsburg State
Washburn @ Northwest
Truman State @ Lambuth (Tenn.)
Ottawa (Kan.) @ Emporia State
MSSC Larry Hickey Classic

Friday's games
Bemidji (Minn.) @ Pittsburg State
Truman State @ LeMoyne-Owen (Tenn.)
Mankato (Minn.) State @ Missouri Western
MSSC Larry Hickey Classic
Missouri-Rolla @ Gulf Coast Classic

Saturday's games
Northwest @ Nebraska-Omaha
Lincoln @ Central Missouri State

Doubles — Aguirre-Ramirez d. Turner-Higgins, 8-4. Bermudez-McFee d. Gale-White, 8-0. Leitenbauer-Lazarte d. Shackelford-Manos, 8-3.

Feb. 28 at Lamkin Activity Center
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Singles — Ricardo Aguirre (NW) d. Chad Carney, 6-1, 6-0. Gustavo Lazarte (NW) d. Brandon Lindsey, 6-1, 6-2. Nick McFee (NW) d. J.D. Knudson, 6-2, 6-3.

Doubles — Aguirre-Ramirez (NW) d. Knudson-Hollstrom, 8-2. Leitenbauer-Crook (NW) d. Streska-Young, 8-6. Bermudez-McFee (NW) d. Yaska-Streis, 9-8.

Athletic Shorts

Parks and Rec volleyball starts play next week

Northwest intramurals are not the only choice for recreation in Maryville.

The Parks and Recreation will be starting its coed volleyball league Monday. The date to sign up a team has already passed, but individuals can still be added to pre-registered teams.

Also, summer softball leagues begin in May. Registration dates are tentatively set for April 7-18, but it may be moved to later in the month.

High school spring sports begin practices Monday

Spring may not officially start until March 21, but believe it or not, spring sports are here.

Monday was the first official practice day of high school spring sports in Missouri, and season schedules will start in about three weeks.

For Maryville High School, that includes baseball, boys' tennis, boys' golf and boys' and girls' track.

MIAA awards individuals with all-conference honors

The MIAA released their women's and men's basketball all-conference teams this week.

Pam Cummings earned second team honors by leading the MIAA in assists for the third-straight season.

Six Bearcats were named honorable mention all-conference. They included senior Johnnie Williams, junior Brian Burleson and sophomore Matt Redd on the men's side. The women also earned three spots on the team and they included senior Kristin Folk and juniors Justean Bohnsack and Annie Coy.

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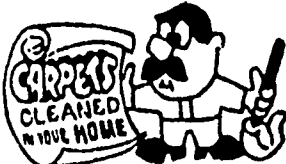
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Book signings will be held after the 2:00 and 7:30 sessions.

Missouri literary magazines will be displayed throughout the Festival, starting at noon.



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Arthena Prather, Millikan RA, works on a bulletin board. RAs are required to have a certain number of programs for their residents each semester. Programs are used to educate residents and used as social events. Some programs presented by RAs discussed such topics as dating, self-esteem, AIDS awareness, date rape and eating disorders.

Cat Eldridge/Features Editor

Students learn life-long skills

by Karen Conrad
Missourian Staff

Imagine having to worry about a floor of people, plus the loads of homework and activities going on in your own life. This is what Resident Assistants experience every day.

Recruitment for new RAs starts this spring. They must have a 2.5 cumulative GPA and maintain a 2.0 semester GPA. They need previous experience living on campus and must acquire 28 Northwest hours.

RAs receive a room and board scholarship. The refund check you receive depends on the how long you have lived on campus.

Free room and board is a great incentive, but Arthena Prather, Millikan RA, said there is more to being an RA than the money.

"You have to genuinely want to make a difference," Prather said. "You get experience working with all sorts of people, all with different backgrounds."

The job of an RA is multi-faceted. They help their residents with any

problems or questions they have.

There are five required front desk hours, and RAs must put a certain number of programs together for their floor. These programs are beneficial and educational for the residents.

"It is very time consuming," Prather said. "You want to be there all the time, but you have to be a student first."

Another aspect of this job includes creating a comfortable living environment for residents, especially for freshmen.

College is preparation for life, and the years students spend living in the dorms is a major part of that growing process.

"It's like your own place and it resembles a neighborhood," Prather said. "(Residential hall life) provides real world situations."

Being a RA is a great experience, however, it requires a lot of work.

Dieterich RA Gary Murphy does not think the work and pay can be compared.

"There are a lot of personal re-

wards because the scholarship," Murphy said. "It is an experience you'll never regret."

Tresa Barlage, Millikan Hall director, also believes there are many benefits. It looks great on a resumé, and is a good learning experience.

Lau Sao, pre-professional zoology major, agrees that RA experience is good to have on a resumé.

"It looks great on a resumé, especially if you're in the education field or involved with people in general," Sao said. "You get to meet a lot of people and it gives you experience for jobs in the future."

Sao said being an RA isn't always as good as it sounds, but a good attitude goes a long way.

"It all depends on your attitude toward the job," she said.

Barlage said RAs learn more than just how to live in a confined space.

"You learn better time management and communication skills, as well as a feeling of pride for helping others," Barlage said. "RAs learn as much as they teach others."

Wanted:

People who have the desire to make a genuine difference in residential hall life

Residents prepare to take charge

by Adam Buckley
Missourian Staff

Many students consider the residence halls a stepping stone to an off-campus residence, whether it is renting an apartment or sharing a house.

The idea of living in an 11-by-14 room without a bathroom for four years is not an appealing thought to the average college student.

However, there are those who think the residence halls are a great place to live, where fun times are had day in and day out (minus the alcohol, of course).

Often, these students become resident hall assistants — you know, those people you go to in the middle of the night to let you in your room because you forgot your keys.

Actually, the job has many responsibilities, such as planning programs for the floors and getting the residents to mingle with each other, and taking care of discipline matters.

Without RAs, the halls would probably fall apart.

Next semester's group of candidates have applied for the resident assistant positions.

The application process is tedious, but Betty Dye, residential life coordinator, makes it a smooth one.

"I'm not the one that actually makes the decisions, but I make sure our process is fair and that people are making decisions appropriately," Dye said. "I'm present during all of the interviews and throughout the whole process."

The deciding factors are based on scores accumulated from the examinations taken by candidates.

"It's a two-step process," Dye said. "They go through a group interview exercise where the candidates are in groups, then they go through an individual interview where they are interviewed by staff and students."

The scores from these interviews are used extensively in the deciding of future RAs.

After the scores are compiled, and the candidates are ranked according to the results, they look at their individual files and references.

"It's not totally scores (that decide a future RA), but the scores are what keep the process honest," Dye said.

There are many reasons why a student decides to become an RA.

Two of the most common are the scholarships it offers and the opportunity to interact with more people.

"Basically, it's the money issue," Meena Ewing, an elementary education major applying for an RA position, said. "But it's also because I love people and working with them. It's gonna give me the experience I'll need in the teaching field."

Education programs help the residents with real life problems. Ewing has some ideas for programs planned.

"Making people more aware of different cultures, and getting past the color and ethnic issues some people have is one of my goals," Ewing said. "Also, at the beginning of the year, I have spur-of-the-moment activities so the residents can get to know one another better."

Ewing said if she becomes an RA, her job would run more smoothly if residents come to her regularly and give her regular feedback.

Students in the halls are not the only ones to benefit from RAs, the RAs themselves strengthen qualities they want to improve.

Dan Seyer, chemistry major, has applied to assist residents, but also to improve on his people skills.

"I think the job will put me in a place where I can be a little more socially active," Seyer said.

Being an RA has its ups and downs like any other job.

Cooperation from both sides would help ensure a quality experience in residential life for everyone.

Remembering that RAs are real people helps to make those years spent in residence halls memorable.

"I would just want respect," Seyer said. "I understand things are going to happen, and nobody's perfect."

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Dan Seyer,
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Students take time to help others

Special Olympics showcases talent

by Adam Buckley
Missourian Staff

Atlanta may have quieted down after its Olympic summer, but Maryville is burning up with competition with its very own Special Olympics.

One of the Special Olympics' goals is to provide different types of Olympic games year round for children and adults with mental retardation. The games provide them the opportunities to develop their skills in athletics and to foster feelings of friendship with each other and the community.

Marty Blacketer, who has worked with Special Olympics for many years, thinks the program is a wonderful way for mentally handicapped people to stay active. But one thing the Special Olympics is lacking in Maryville is publicity.

"What we really need is publicity so that when these events come up, we can have sponsors that would be willing to provide financial support for one of the athletes," Blacketer said.

Currently, M&M Feed company in Maryville is the only business sponsoring the Special Olympics. When Blacketer asked them to match a certain amount for one of the participants, they did willingly.

Blacketer became active in Special Olympics because her son was mentally retarded. He died 13 years ago this month. In her son's memory, she remains active and stays involved to help others who need her time.

Even though her son passed away, he continued impacting lives, such as the life a young man who was bowling with the group. The man could not find a ball that fit his hand right. When Blacketer lent him her son's bowling ball, it fit perfectly.

Bowling is not the only sport the players participate in. Basketball and track and field are others that take place throughout the year.



Rusty McKenzie/Missourian Staff

Special Olympic bowlers practice at Bearcat Lanes with the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity. There are currently 18 bowlers on the Nodaway team. Athletes also compete in swimming.

Currently, the bowling team has 42 participants from sheltered workshops around the area, and other group homes also lend their support.

The players are special because of their drive to compete and have fun, even after a long day of work. Blacketer said the athletes are always eager to compete and have fun.

"The bowling program has been going now for quite a number of years," Blacketer said. "It's amazing

that after the people have been working at the sheltered workshops from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., that when they come in for bowling, they are as peppy as if they were just getting out of bed."

Some might wonder if mentally retarded people are capable of participating in sports with any skill. The truth is, a lot have more spirit and drive than some people who aren't mentally challenged.

"They are very loving, well-mannered people, and I've never been ashamed to work with them," Blacketer said.

Deon Roush, owner of Bearcat Lanes where the Special Olympic participants bowl, agrees the athletes are very good and cause no trouble at all. "The participants vary in age from

15 to 60, and they can all compete against each other here," Roush said. "It's a real nice social time, and we've never had any real problems with the group."

Roush said there are no special precautions taken for the bowlers, but ramps can be set up to assist handicapped bowlers who can't walk down the lane.

Competing to win is one of the aspects why the group comes together, but it's also the idea of being with each other and having fun.

"They really look forward to the times they bowl, and we have a lot of college students come out to help us," Roush said.

One organization involved with helping the participants in both bowling and basketball is the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity.

Not only do they bowl with them, but they help keep score and assist anyone who needs help with their bowling skills.

Christian Murphy, secretary of Phi Sig, said they got involved when the national fraternity changed from being involved with March of Dimes to Special Olympics. They said March of Dimes already had enough sponsors.

However, if the nationals change again, Murphy said they will continue to work with Special Olympics because they enjoy being with them.

"For me, personally, you get a better appreciation for the smaller things in life," Murphy said. "You can't help but feel good about helping other people out."

Being with individuals who have a disability can be a daunting experience for many people, but once people learn what a disability actually is, the fears can be alleviated and a pleasurable experience is almost guaranteed.

"A lot of people were kind of skeptical at first, which if you've never been in that situation you would be," Murphy said. "But after a lot of people go, they love it and go back."

Thanks to people like Blacketer, Roush and the men of Phi Sigma Kappa, Special Olympics can remain a part of Maryville for a long time to come.

Community service is goal for sorority

Tau Phi Upsilon takes initiative to contribute to city organizations

by Karen Conrad
Missourian Staff

The Lenten season provides time for people to sacrifice their own wants and needs, and take time out for others. Tau Phi Upsilon, a sorority based on community service, follows these guidelines throughout the year as a group.

These women are required to perform nine service hours a semester. Nine hours may not seem like a lot to some people, but it is time that could be spent doing something else, said Amanda Muller, Tau Phi Upsilon member.

"It takes an initiative on your part to go out there and do things," Muller said.

Along with the service hours, part of their dues include a donation of two cans per month to the food pantry. Members also volunteer their services at the nursing home, and many women

volunteer their time at Horace Mann school programs.

"The people there (nursing home) are so happy just to have someone to talk to," Muller said. "If you help the community, it will get back to you eventually."

The women also help cleaning parks and the animal shelter. Sometimes they are even given the chance to walk the animals at the shelter. Kathy Ramirez said, Tau Phi Upsilon committee chair said the food pantry is always looking for volunteers.

This group of 22 active members, have eight new women. Along with service hours, they must also maintain a 2.0 GPA.

If they have under a 2.5 GPA they are given two study hours in the library, along with two "honesty hours" to ensure they maintain their GPA.

"Community service is the pillar of our sorority, the community is our main philanthropy," Ramirez said.

Maryville Health Care and Rehabilitation is looking for volunteers to provide a variety of services. One of the duties includes playing the piano for the residents.

Are you looking for volunteer opportunities in Maryville? You have many options. Here are a few organizations you can help:

- Horace Mann Elementary School
- New Nodaway Animal Shelter
- Maryville Health Care and Rehabilitation Center
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- Nodaway Nursing Home
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- St. Francis Hospital
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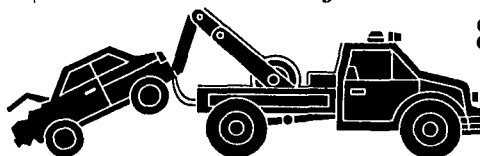
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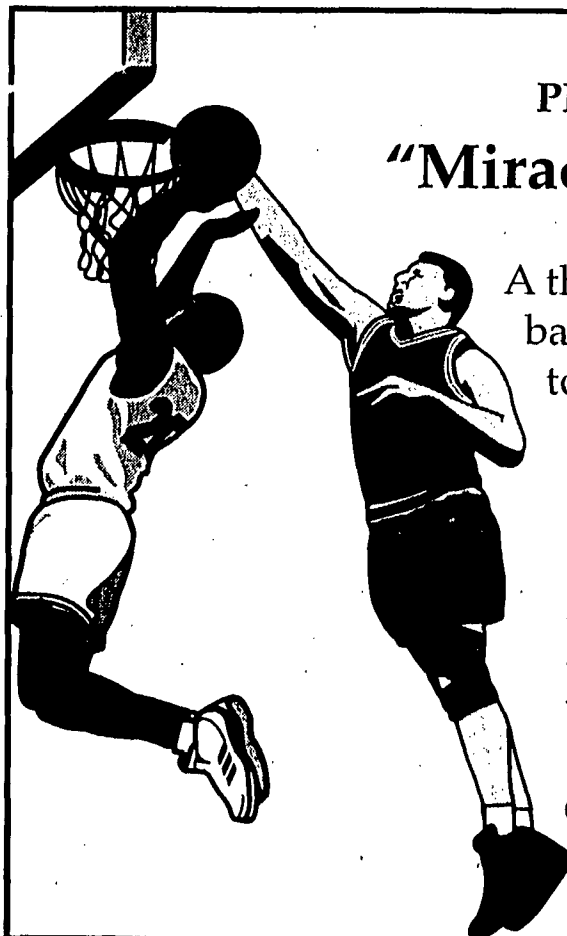
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Your Man stands up for Bobby



The Stroller

Yours Truly makes amends with Bobby, seeks a little fun on campus

Before Your Man gets back into his love life (if you recall from last week) I would like to give some "props" to my former person of ridicule — Mr. Bobby Bearcat.

Yes, I know myself and the Bobster haven't always been the best of friends. But I would just like to say Bobby has got it.

Last week at the Missouri Western game, Bobby strolled (ironic) out to center court and challenged Mr. Griff to a dual. I wish I could have witnessed all of this, but if the stories I've heard are anywhere close to what the actual event was like, this was surely one heck of a battle.

Apparently while I was falling for a girl at the bar on Saturday, Bobby and Griff got into a little pushing match. Unknown to Bobby, he was being out-shoved by the dreadlock-wearing mascot. It was in the rematch during a timeout where Bobby deemed his revenge.

The fight started out with a left hook and a slight shove from each mascot. Then things started to get a little more physical. Then with the lightning reflexes that all members of the cat family possess, Bobby lunged at the Griffon and landed a solid right paw on the beak of the ugly bird.

Not liking this a whole lot the bird attacked back, but he crossed the line of mascot etiquette when he tried to pull Bobby's head off. Bet that could have hurt. However, Bobby did land some more vicious blows to the head of the Griffon — winning the match undoubtedly.

Your Man would like to apologize for all of the bad things I have said about you Bobby. You are truly a great and powerful creature on this campus.

Mr. Bearcat, you are the man — I mean animal. No, I mean creature. Oh well, you get the picture.

Now back to my love life....

Your Man waited until the next afternoon to call the future Mrs. Stroller. With anticipation, I dialed the number scribbled on the back of a bar napkin. Unfortunately, when I was walking her to the car, my palms were sweating and the number was smudged.

Could this not be the worst luck one person living on this planet could have? I guess a certain truck driver's luck must have been pretty bad last week. At least I never left a truck's air brakes off and let it to roll into some parked cars behind the Valk Building. That's pretty bad luck if you ask me.

Now with no life, no future, no chance of finding her again, I sat at home and did nothing. For two days, depression set in. I did, however, go to class which was an obvious sign I was upset. I went home and flipped on the tube. There wasn't anything on as I recall except for a talk show.

It appeared to be the Letterman show, but it was a show done here in Maryville. Something called "Maryville Tonight." If you ask me, and no one will, I would have to say it looks a lot like "Late Night with David Letterman."

Is there a copyright law? The only thing this show needs is Paul Schaefer. But hey, the show is funny. I like it. It's entertainment, and something this town needs.

The entertainment isn't here anymore. Of course you could go to a Student Senate meeting and hear them talk about writing letters or complaining of higher tuition.

Maybe we need to approach them and ask what happened to the ice rink that was supposed to be built. I had my skates all shined up for it.

But to really entertain yourself, just smile. When people around you are having a crappy day, and you just smile, it will really drive people nuts.

Smile, that's what I hope happens when people read this — just smile.

Now Your Man has gone interactive. If you have suggestions on entertainment in Maryville. Send me a letter. Send it to Northwest Missourian, c/o The Stroller, 800 University Drive, Maryville, MO 64468.

And if you, my sweet, read this, you know my true identity. Please write, but in permanent ink this time.

The Stroller has been a tradition at Northwest since 1918.

Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Condensation
- 5 Family member
- 9 Effrontery
- 13 Unique thing
- 14 — mignon
- 15 Butterine
- 16 Rights org.
- 17 Inclined to one side
- 18 Car damage

DOWN

- 19 Baby powder
- 20 Certain church members
- 22 Gung ho
- 24 Gun the engine
- 25 Champion
- 28 NM city
- 32 "That's —" (song)
- 33 Undercover

agents

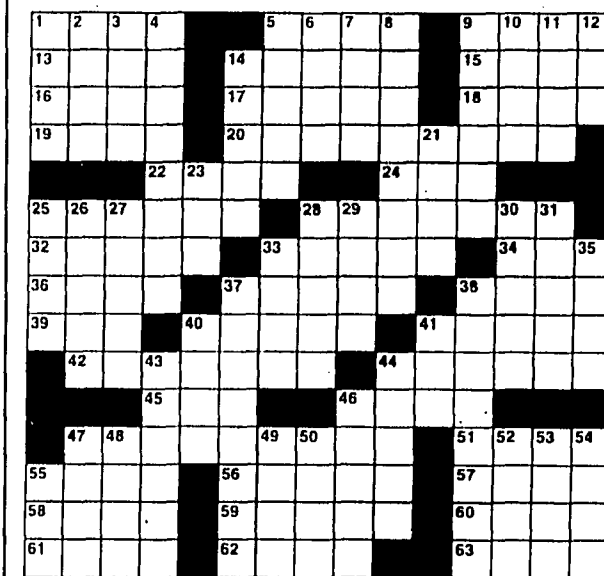
- 34 Fellow
- 36 Rocky crags
- 37 Underhanded
- 38 Fork over
- 39 Greek letter
- 40 Play section
- 41 Dress up
- 42 Facial features
- 44 Posh
- 45 Collide

46 Comic strip

- 47 Those escaping disaster
- 51 Let fall
- 55 Mona —
- 56 Principle
- 57 Excavation
- 58 Land of bliss
- 59 Fr. city
- 60 Retreat
- 62 Sunbeams
- 63 Do an usher's job

Answers to last issue's puzzle

TAFT	OLAF	RARE
AGUE	SOLES	ORES
LINE	CRAZY	QUILT
CON	LADD	MUSTY
YEARS	OBIE	
VAPORS	SPONSOR	
ALAND	DWELT	DUB
SOPS	TWERS	EDNA
THE	LINDA	ELFIN
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Weekly Events

Kansas City

March 6 — Jimmy Thackery and The Drivers, Grand Emporium, 3832 Main St. Concert begins at 9 p.m. Tickets cost \$6. Must be 21 or older with ID.

March 6-8 — Phantom of the Opera, Music Hall. Thursday shows begin at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. Friday show begins at 8 p.m. Saturday shows begin at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$16 - \$57.

March 9 — Korn, Memorial Hall, 600 N. Seventh St. Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$18.50.

March 12 — The Wailing Souls with Green Card, Grand Emporium, 3832 Main St. Concert begins at 9 p.m. Tickets cost \$13. Must be 21 or older with ID.

Des Moines

March 8-9 — Des Moines Symphony, Civic Center. Saturday concert begins at 8 p.m. Sunday concert begins at 3 p.m. Tickets cost \$8 - \$30.50.

March 8-9 — Capital City Custom Cycle Show, Iowa State Fairgrounds, 4-H Exhibits Building. Admission is free.

March 10 — Urge, The Safari Club, 2307 University St. Concert begins at 6 p.m.

March 14 — Falsettos, Civic Center's Stoner Studio. Concert begins at 8 p.m.

March 17 — The Guffs with Stir, Supertoad Entertainment Center, (515) 243-1888. Concert begins at 7 p.m.

March 18-21 — "Smokey Joe's Cafe," Civic Center. All shows begin at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$24 - \$29.

Omaha

March 7 — Bill Gaither and Friends, Civic Auditorium. Show begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$12.75 - \$19.75.

March 7 — Bloodhound Gang, Ranch Bowl. Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$9.

March 7 — Tom Martin, Downtown Grounds. Concert begins at 9 p.m. Admission is free.

March 8 — Ritchie Blackmore's Rainbow, Ranch Bowl. Concert begins at 9 p.m. Tickets cost \$9.

March 8 — Scotty Spenser, Downtown Grounds. Concert begins at 9 p.m. Admission is free.

March 10 — Bob Lewis, Downtown Grounds. Concert begins at 7:30 p.m.

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